

## Russians Drive On Luga in North

LONDON (CP)—Soviet troops, moving in from the north and east on Luga, on the Leningrad-Pskov-Warsaw railway, reached within 13 miles of their objective today with the capture of Tolmachovo, Moscow announced in a broadcast communique.

The Russians also captured Zhetitsy, seven miles northeast of Luga on the highway paralleling the railway line. In the Ukraine, 10 more communities were taken.

## Admiral Promoted

WASHINGTON (AP)—Vice-Admiral R. A. Spruance, 58, who commanded the assault force sent against the mid-Pacific Marshall Islands, was nominated by President Roosevelt today for promotion to admiral.

## Asks Beer for B.C.

OTTAWA (CP)—Flt. Lt. James Sinclair, Lib., North Vancouver, asked in the Commons this afternoon whether beer now being shipped to the U.S. could be diverted to British Columbia for men in the services and war workers there.

Revenue Minister Gibson said the question should go on the order paper.

## Greeks Close Gap

CAIRO (AP)—Cessation of fighting between two leading bands of Greek guerrillas—in effect putting a lid on the main part of the German-fostered civil war that has been raging in that country—was announced today.

## Delay Conference Until Easter

OTTAWA (CP)—Prime Minister King told the Commons this afternoon it appears the planned Dominion-Provincial conference can not be held until about the "Easter season."

Mr. King said all the provinces had indicated their desire to meet the Dominion, but an exact date could not be given.

## Test Jail Term

VANCOUVER (CP)—Earl Kitchener Stewart, 28, was convicted by Judge C. J. Lemmon in County Court here today for failing to report for military service, and at his own request, was sentenced to 30 days' imprisonment.

Reason for Stewart's request was in order that his counsel could appeal from the judge's decision that a minister of Jehovah's Witnesses is not a "regular minister of a religious denomination" who is entitled to be exempt from military service.

## Croat Quits Nazis

BERNE (AP)—A Budapest dispatch today said a Col. Nadic, identified as a Croatian liaison officer attached to the staff of the German commander-in-chief in Croatia, had fled by plane to Allied headquarters in Foggia, Italy.

## Air Training Plan To Be Contracted

OTTAWA (CP)—From now on there must be "contraction, not expansion" in the British Commonwealth Air Training Plan, Air Minister Power said in the Commons this afternoon, answering a question from Flt. Lt. James Sinclair, Lib., North Vancouver, on recent retirement of high-ranking air force officers.

It was necessary there be no bottleneck at the top of the air force and the department had adopted a "definite retirement policy," said Mr. Power.

## Faces \$10,000 Charge

NEW WESTMINSTER (CP)—John W. Barr, 47, of White Rock, B.C., secretary-manager of the Fraser Valley Surrey Farmers Co-operative, was remanded without bail in police court today on a charge of theft of \$10,000 of the co-operative's funds. He was originally held on a charge of embezzlement of \$200, but the charge was amended in court. There are 1,200 members in the association.

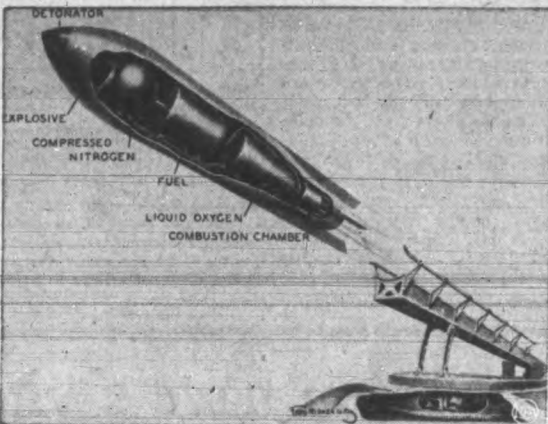
## M.P. Sees Confusion

OTTAWA (CP)—J. A. Marshall, N.D., Camrose, Alta., said in the Commons debate this afternoon there is "confusion, doubt and anxiety" in Canadian minds over the present trend of events.

He said the common man is concerned over statements, which appeared to be in conflict, on the "resignation" of Lt. Gen. McNaughton as Canadian army commander overseas.

The legislation proposed by the government in the Throne Speech meant "bureaucracy and cruel taxation," Mr. Marshall said.

# Nazis Rushed to Beachhead



**INSIDE INFORMATION ON NAZIS' ROCKET**—Artist's conception of much-publicized giant liquid-fuel rocket that Nazis threaten to send across English Channel, as depicted by Mechanix Illustrated Magazine. Projectile, while having greater potentialities than solid-fuel missiles, is not likely to support Nazi claims that it can devastate 20 square miles of target area, say experts.

## War Wages Order To Be Amended

OTTAWA (CP)—Prime Minister King announced in the Commons this afternoon that "it is the intention of the government to make certain amendments" to the new Wartime Wage Control Order, subject of much criticism recently in organized labor circles and in Parliament.

He said, however, that the government soon would be meeting representatives of the major labor organizations when they would make annual submissions to the cabinet, and that it was desired to have their views before making final decisions on changes in the order.

Mr. King said the new national labor code would be tabled in the Commons next week.

## Invasion Awaits Landing Craft

BY WES GALLAGHER

LONDON (AP)—If the invasion of Europe from the west is going to open with the margin of safety that is the fetish of Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery, U.S. and British engineering genius and willing labor must quickly solve another war shortage—landing craft—because the Allies' amphibious warriors and landing craft, like men, are highly expendable.

Everything else—guns, men, tanks and planes—the Allies have in plenty, and even ships to carry them across the seas. One by one, Allied mass production and skill have licked Allied material weaknesses. But the ungainly ships with the queer shapes, the landing craft, now are number one priority to unlock Hitler's fortress.

## Postwar Schools Before Trustees

The first of a series of sketches outlining school improvement, addition and renovation under a postwar rehabilitation program, was presented to the City School Board Wednesday night by Trustee W. A. Bayliss, and won general approval.

The drawing, prepared by the trustee, listed proposals for the Central Junior High area. In addition to making material improvements and additions to the east building, the plan called for elimination of the old west building and conversion of its site into a playing field.

Architecture for new constructions still to come, would conform to the general lines of existing buildings which would be retained.

## Porter Killed, 20 Hurt In C.P.R. Accident

TORONTO (CP)—The Canadian Pacific Railway said today a sleeping car porter, P. O. Fox of Toronto, was killed and 20 other persons suffered minor injuries early today when the second section of the C.P.R. transcontinental train en route from Vancouver to Toronto crashed into the train's first section while it stood in the station at MacTier, Ont.

## Hungry Germans Yield to Russians Around Cherkasy

By EDDY GILMORE

MOSCOW (AP)—Russian armies within eight miles of Krivoy Rog appeared today to have badly outflanked the iron centre from the south as some of their divisions streamed southwestward toward Kherson and Nikolaev on the Black Sea.

With strong Soviet formations poised for a blow from north of Krivoy Rog, others threatened the city of 197,000 from the south and east. To the rear, other divisions were chopping to bits the German 8th army trapped in a narrow pocket near Cherkasy.

Advanced mobile Russian columns struggled through mud about 60 miles away from Kherson, situated at the mouth of the Dnieper River. The large German garrison there has faced another Russian force across the Dnieper for months, and the Nazi position was scarcely less perilous than that at Krivoy Rog. Nikolaev is and is in part of the 3rd and 4th German divisions of the Ukraine driving west from the Apostolovo.

A detailed map of the 10 German divisions trapped near Cherkasy showed the Russians were eight miles from Koeson, centre of the death ring. Seven Russian spearheads were driving in for the kill.

The Russians said Lt. Gen. Schermann was inside the trap. Numerous groups were reported surrendering. The enemy's food supply was said to be low.

## RETREAT NEAR ROUT

Dispatches told how the Nazi retreat approached a rout as Red Army pinners closed on disorganized remnants of what had been between 10 and 15 battered German divisions in the rain-soaked steppe country between Cherkasy and Nikolopol, 200 miles to the south.

German dead littered the battlefield as the combined 3rd and 4th Ukrainian armies turned the German retreat west of Apostolovo into a debacle, outflanked the great iron ore centre of Krivoy Rog from the south, and surged westward to imperil the Kiev-Nikolaev railway, sole remaining escape route left to the fleeing enemy.

Forty towns were captured in this tremendous drive to clear the Ukraine of the invading Germans, including the important stronghold of Radushnoye, 14 miles northeast of Apostolovo and less than eight miles from heavily-fortified Krivoy Rog. A Soviet communique said Wednesday night.

## TAKE 26 BIG GUNS

In the Dnieper death circle, north and west of the towns of Shpolia and Sventogorodka, the 1st and 2nd Ukrainian armies stormed and captured the important town of Goshorodische, 18 miles north of Shpolia, killing hundreds of Germans, taking many prisoners and sweeping up great stores of war material, including 26 big guns. Enemy airfields through which supplies were reaching the doomed Germans also were captured.

More than 1,000 Germans were killed as the Red Army stranglehold tightened on the 10 divisions trapped in this narrowing circle, and repeated German attempts to break into the ring were defeated with the loss of 42 tanks, 90 armored trucks and 6 troop carriers, the Russian communique said.

## 57 TOWNS FREED

The war bulletin said at least 3,800 Nazi troops had been killed in the past 24 hours along the entire 1,200-mile-long front as more than 57 towns and villages were liberated by the victorious Russian troops.

In the Far North, where other Soviet troops were blasting their way westward toward the Leningrad-Warsaw railway stronghold of Luga from the east, the strongly fortified towns of Ordezh and Bolshoye-Zamochye, respectively 18 and 13 miles northeast of the prime objective, fell to the onrushing Russian spearheads.

The Soviet drive toward the Baltic states is nearing Batelskaya, strategic centre on the Leningrad-Vitebsk railway, the communique disclosed.

## Victoria Sniper Scout Reports to His General



Lt. Jones, who commands a Canadian division in Italy, is seen here with his staff. He is surrounded by his staff, including Maj. Gen. C. Vokes, D.S.O., who commands a Canadian division in Italy. Lt. Jones' wife lives at 629 Canteen Road, Esquimalt. He resided here 12 years before going overseas with the Canadian Scottish. He was first wounded Sept. 25 and the second time Jan. 21.

## Diplomacy Aimed At Paving Way For Invasion of Europe

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER

WASHINGTON (AP)—Diplomatic preparations for the invasion of Europe appear to be in full swing here and in London now with Spain, France, Italy and Finland as focal points of developing Allied foreign policy.

The objective is two-fold—to split off from Germany as much outside support and co-operation as possible, and to pave the way for invading forces striking from both the north and south.

Expected developments include: France—Broadened recognition of the authority of the French National Committee of Liberation at Algiers which will assure its right to govern liberated areas of France until reasonably normal civil machinery can be set up to give them a voice in government.

Italy—Reconsideration on the whole question of keeping King Victor Emmanuel in power, a step which may result in his getting out before the Allied armies reach Rome; also expansion of the territory in southern Italy under the jurisdiction of the Italian government.

Spain—Close observation of the means which the Franco government employs to make good its announced intention of maintaining "strict neutrality." This is what the Allies want, instead of a "neutrality" favorable to Germany.

Finland—Use of whatever diplomatic measures may be possible in conjunction with Russian military actions, such as the recent bombings of Helsinki, to get Finland out of the war. Some authorities believe it still is not too late for the Finns to make peace with Russia and Britain and preserve their territorial integrity, but they have little time in which to act.

## Jap Ship Losses Hit Record High In South Pacific

Canadian Press

Japan's merchant fleet took its most punishing blows of the war in January in its effort to maintain supply lines to far-flung outposts.

Air and undersea warfare combined to sink 105 cargo ships, tankers, transports and coastal vessels in the Pacific in that period. A tabulation of official reports today disclosed the figure. No estimate of tonnage was available.

Fifty vessels were sunk by air action in the central, south and southwest Pacific. Allied aircraft accounted for 19 off the China coast. Thirty-six were destroyed by submarines.

The enemy also lost 215 barges in January in the south and southwest Pacific, the largest number reported for a single month. Those self-propelled craft have been used by the Japanese in increasing numbers to transport troops and supplies. Many of the barges were loaded with troops.

The number of Japanese merchant vessels damaged in January also was high, reaching 52 in the south and southwest Pacific. In addition, 131 barges or other small craft were put out of the way at least temporarily.

Prior to January, the black month for Japan merchant shipping was last November, when 104 enemy vessels of all types, but not including warships, were sunk or damaged in the south and southwest Pacific area.

## 26 Below at Edmonton

EDMONTON (CP)—After a week of steadily-dropping temperatures, the coldest reading of the winter was registered here Wednesday night when the mercury descended to 26 degrees below zero. It eased off slightly this morning to 22 below zero.

## Hitler Gambles Heavily in Hope Of Needed Win

By KENNETH L. DIXON

AT THE ANZIO-BEACHHEAD (AP)—Hitler, throwing everything at the 5th Army's beachhead in a desperate attempt to give Germany a victory, is rushing in troops from everywhere available and putting them into the battle raging here. Troops from northern Italy, southern France and Germany are being rushed into the fighting.

Obviously, after an 18-months' diet of defeat, Hitler thinks he has the opportunity to hand the German people a dramatic victory.

He has called topnotch pilots from other theatres in his bid to knock-out the Allied threat to Rome. He has massed armored strength unparalleled in this theatre for an attempt to crash into the beachhead's defenders from the north, hoping to cut off the Allied forces from the sea.

## Nazis Lose Heavily On British Front

By KENNETH L. DIXON

ALGIERS (AP)—The Germans have launched a strong attempt to break through the Allied lines on the Anzio beachhead, striking at six points along the Anglo-American defence perimeter. Allied headquarters here announced today.

Meanwhile, on the main 5th Army front, violent street fighting continued in Cassino. The fiercest of the beachhead attacks came in the area north and west of Carroceto (Aprilia), where heavy fighting continued as British forces sought to stem the enemy plunges.

Three of the enemy thrusts were directed against U.S. positions west of Cassino, but they were beaten back and some ground was recaptured.

(Homer Bigart, New York Herald Tribune correspondent representing the combined U.S. press, in a dispatch dated Wednesday night, said the situation was a "little less grim" for the Allied troops because of heavy casualties inflicted by British troops on the Germans.

(The Germans had gained such superiority in numbers, however, that "even the annihilation of a German battalion meant only momentary relief," he said. British artillery crews have had no rest for 36 hours, he added.)

## Beachhead Positions Still Defensive

An Allied headquarters spokesman said the position of the beachhead as a whole was a defensive one at present, with the Germans probing the perimeter from the northern coastal area to its southern extremity. Allied air forces struck heavily at German gun positions, communications and other targets just in front of the beachhead line, but these apparently did not prevent the Germans from building up their strength. The violence of the German artillery fire was increasing and the pressure of the German attacks was mounting.

The fighting at Cassino was going through its seventh fiery day with no rest for either side. Under a grim canopy of smoke and dust from mortar and artillery fire, the Germans clung to the greater part of the town, following to the letter their orders to resist to the bitter end. Northwest of the town U.S. troops slowly approached the crest of Mount Cassino after having reached a point at one time within 75 yards of the ancient monastery at the peak.

## Whole Jew Population Of Pinsk Murdered

LONDON (CP)—The Polish Telegraph Agency today said the entire Jewish population of Pinsk and its surrounding towns and villages have been massacred by the Germans.

## Beer Sales Halted

EDMONTON (CP)—Beer sales throughout Alberta were suspended in all government liquor vendors effective today, it was announced by J. A. King, chairman of the Alberta liquor control board. Reason for the suspension is the exhaustion of the February quota. Sales will be resumed March 1.

## St. Lawrence Safe

QUEBEC (CP)—Onesime Gagnon, U.N. Matane, told the Quebec Legislative Assembly this afternoon that in 1943 "not one ship had been torpedoed in the lower St. Lawrence River" and that "the lower St. Lawrence region was much better protected."



**HE LAUGHS LAST**—John-Louis L'Abbe of the U.S. Marines laughs as he tells how he got the sword he holds. Wounded at Tarawa beach, the Portland, Ore., Marine was attacked with the sword by a Jap officer. Although his arms were badly slashed, L'Abbe wrested the blade away, used it to kill the Jap.



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## Fewer Drill Days And Reduced Staffs For Reserve Army

OTTAWA—In a statement of policy for the Reserve Army in Canada for 1944, issued today at National Defence Headquarters, it was announced that, "While the necessity for the Reserve Army remains unchanged, it is possible, in view of the improvement in the military situation and the increased efficiency that has been achieved, to decrease the intensity of its training during the coming year."

It is therefore proposed, the statement says,

(a) To reduce the period of training from 40 days to 30 days as it was prior to the outbreak of war. This will permit a 15-day summer camp and 15 days' training at local headquarters;

(b) To continue to make provision for the further training of officers, noncommissioned officers and specialists;

(c) Since the Reserve Army has been operating with a liberal scale of full-time administrative and training staffs for some 18 months, and it is considered that units have now progressed to a stage where their officers and noncommissioned officers are sufficiently qualified to carry out their training without the same degree of assistance, there will therefore be some reduction in the numbers employed on full-time training duty;

(d) While no general change in the structure of the Reserve Army is contemplated, it is proposed that some measure of "streamlining" will take place to ensure that all units maintain a satisfactory standard of efficiency. Units unable to maintain a satisfactory standard of efficiency will become dormant for the duration of the war.

It is not known at present what reductions will be made in the numbers of administrative and training staffs, nor what units will be subject to "streamlining" developments or become dormant. This will be decided only after the situation in each district has been assessed by the district officer commanding and his recommendations in this regard submitted to National Defence Headquarters.

The Reserve Army's role during the coming year is summarized in the statement as follows:

(a) To maintain throughout the country continued interest in the Canadian Army and its activities and to set an example to all citizens of preparedness at all times.

(b) To provide a continuing flow of reinforcements for the forces overseas by training young men of pre-enlistment age.

(c) To back up the civil authority responsible for the enforcement of law and order if required.

(d) As a trained reserve to support the active forces available for the defence of Canada if the military situation should deteriorate.

(e) As a basis for expansion of the active army should the necessity arise.

## 7,000 Go Overseas From Reserve Army

OTTAWA (CP)—During 1943 the Canadian Reserve Army furnished 7,000 reinforcements for the active army, it was disclosed today in a defence headquarters statement on Reserve Army policy.

"While happily the Reserve Army has not been called upon to fight in defence of Canadian soil, it has contributed in no small measure to the expansion and efficiency of the active army," the statement said, adding:

"During the year 1943 alone more than 7,000 reinforcements for the active army were obtained from the ranks of reserve units."

"It has presented to the people of Canada an example of preparedness to meet any situation, at a time when future conditions are unforeseeable and has helped to maintain and increase public interest in the army and its activities in the war in the many communities across the country where reserve units have carried out their training."

"The enthusiasm and self-sacrifice of its members, many of whom are fully engaged in other forms of war effort, have been an inspiration in the prosecution of the war."

## Advertising Manager Of Daily Colonist, A. T. Stewart, Dies



ALEX. T. STEWART

Suffering a stroke last Saturday afternoon, Alexander T. Stewart, 45, of 1711 Leighton Road, advertising manager of the Colonist and well-known businessman in the U.S.-Pacific Northwest and Canada, died at 1.50 this morning at St. Joseph's Hospital.

Joining the Colonist editorial staff following the first World War, Mr. Stewart shortly afterwards transferred to the advertising department. He had been advertising manager for many years.

During the last war Mr. Stewart joined the air force and trained in Texas to become a pilot. A captain in the Canadian Scottish Regiment at the outbreak of war, he took an active part in organizing the non-permanent force here and later was promoted to major, a rank he held at his death.

Last fall in Seattle Mr. Stewart was elected president of the Pacific Northwest Advertising Managers' Association. He was a former member of the board of the Canadian Advertising Association. He also belonged to the Rotary Club and Union Club here.

Only recently he returned to Victoria from an extended business tour in eastern Canada.

Mr. Stewart was born in Victoria, son of a former mayor. He attended school here and had lived here most of his life.

Besides his wife, Agnes, he leaves a young son, Alex, at home. Hayward's B.C. Funeral Co. will have charge of funeral arrangements which will be announced later.

## Figures Not U.B.C.'s On College Cost, Says Klinck

Report stating Victoria College cost the city little, if anything, contained figures which were considerably out of line, Trustee Austin Curtis, city School Board chairman, told the board Wednesday night.

"Supporting his statement was a letter from Dr. L. S. Klinck, president of the University, indicating the information had not been secured from the U.B.C., and that he himself had not seen the figures before."

The report had listed per pupil costs at Victoria College at only \$19 a year in 1942.

During that year, board officials disclosed, each pupil cost was \$33, covering straight operation, instruction and maintenance. That cost had to be met after collection of fees amounting to \$100 a year from each student. In view of the fact Victoria High School operates without fees to city students, it was felt in some quarters there was no basis for comparison in costs, the high school figure amounting to \$120 a pupil a year.

In addition to that point, the city provides a building to house the institution. On the assessment fixed by the city assessor collector, the property is listed at \$8,190, the improvement at \$60,000. On the basis of last year's tax rate, that would call for taxes amounting to \$1,746 if the establishment were privately owned.

A special appraisal undertaken for the School Board last May puts the value higher. New replacement, according to the appraisal, would cost \$220,000, and the depreciated valuation, according to that survey, would be \$100,000.

Apart from the actual building, city-financed equipment valued at \$30,000 is available for use by students.

This year, of a total enrollment of 194 students, 79 come from Victoria, 57 from Oak Bay, 31 from Saanich, 4 from Esquimalt, 17 from other Vancouver Island points, and 6 from the B.C. mainland. During the 1942-43 year, when 263 were registered, 129 came from Victoria, 62 from Oak Bay, 36 from Saanich, 5 from Esquimalt and 31 from other points.

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## Tar Tank Valve Blamed for Blaze At Club, School

A broken valve on the tank of tar heating apparatus operated by H. Cooley & Son was blamed by Fire Chief Alex Munroe today for the fire which caused smoke and water damage to the Elk Club, Sprott-Shaw School, Terry's, 1939, Ltd. dining-room, Hocking and Forbes Ltd., and C. J. McDowell Plumbing and Heating Wednesday afternoon.

Chief Munroe, who directed firefighting and salvage operations at the scene, said the apparatus was employed for retarding the roof of Terry's building. When about 50 gallons of tar were boiling, one of the workmen started to draw it off. Filling a bucket he went to turn off the valve but it stuck and the molten tar ran around the fire-box of the heater.

It ignited quickly, sending black clouds of smoke up to the sky through the alleyway in which the roof repairmen were working. The smoke poured in through the windows of the adjoining buildings.

More than 100 students attending Sprott-Shaw classes were evacuated down the main stairs from the second floor without mishap. The Elk Club on the top floor of the three-story building was not occupied at the time of the fire to which firemen were called at 2.46.

Arriving with several ladders and hose trucks, firemen soon extinguished the tar fire. Later an outbreak occurred on the rear stairway of the Sprott-Shaw building igniting the fire. Firemen poured tons of water on the blaze and were forced to enter through the roof in several places to extinguish the fire.

## BREAKS OUT IN EVENING

The stubborn blaze broke out again Wednesday evening but was soon controlled.

Water from the roof blaze seeped through the ceilings of the Elk Club and Sprott-Shaw classrooms.

Alex Peden estimated today damage to the Elk property would run into several thousands of dollars. Sprott-Shaw classes were in progress today, damage being limited to the ceiling, floor and books. One classroom was closed.

The fire burned close to the wall of the David Spencer Ltd. warehouse, but firemen reported damage to that building and stock would be slight if any.

A little of the fire-fighting water seaped through from the

## Hawken Trial Nearing End

VANCOUVER (CP)—Charles Hawken, charged with murdering Francis A. Boland, was called to the witness stand today, and it is expected the case will go to the Assize Court jury for decision some time this afternoon.

Hawken's testimony of how, and why, he shot Boland four times last Dec. 13, was the final feature of the trial now in its fourth day. The accused was the only witness called by defence counsel Gordon S. Wismer, K.C.

Both the prosecution and de-

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fence lawyers declined to question Victor Fred Mayer when he appeared as a witness Wednesday. Mayer had spent eight days in jail for refusing to answer questions about his activities on the night of the slaying, at the preliminary hearing in police court.

**Recover Stolen Goods**  
VANCOUVER (CP)—Stolen goods valued at thousands of dollars were found following police raids on a boathouse on Burrard Inlet and a house in Vancouver's east end. Two men and a woman are being held for investigation.

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illary services that have been of the greatest benefit to the public. The modern life insurance agent or representative is much more than a salesman. He is a trained and skilful counsellor and sound professional adviser.

I wish briefly to allude to two other points of criticism that have been lodged against the life companies. One has to do with interlocking directorates, and the other has to do with the general policy underlying companies' investments. I confess that I am surprised sometimes that we are able to get men of such high standing and sound business judgment to give their time and advice and accept their share of the responsibility of management for the fees that are paid. I do not deny that many of our Directors are associated in some capacity or other with other institutions, but that is merely another way of saying that the men who are most desirable are the men who are most sought. In my own experience I know of no Director who has sought any favour for himself or any other institution with which he is connected, or who is inspired by any motive except that of promoting the best interest of the North American Life.

Along with thousands of other policyholders in this and other companies, you have a vital stake in the life insurance industry. Those who are at present advocating the nationalization of the life companies are not, we believe, primarily concerned with whether the companies are well or poorly conducted. If they are to succeed in socializing industry, and in expropriating all means of production, they must first have access to the savings of the people—your bank deposits, your equity in your life insurance and other savings. The fact that you are an owner of a life insurance policy is proof that you have saved and have planned, and that you have exercised your God-given privilege to safeguard your savings according to your best judgment. Are you willing to jeopardize what you now have for a promissory note in the fantastic belief that the maker of the note is better able to manage your affairs than you are yourself, or that his professed altruism can take the place of your enlightened self interest?



The investment policy of our life companies is necessarily controlled by the terms of the Dominion Insurance Act. Parliament, very rightly we believe, in prescribing the type of investments we can make strongly stresses the trustee nature of our business. The underlying thought in all investment policy is that within the limitations of the Insurance Act itself it should be the aim to secure the largest return for our policyholders compatible with security and safety. We believe

Objection has been raised to our competitive system, particularly as it has to do with the use of agents. It is claimed that if we were not to employ agents we could provide cheaper insurance to the public. That has definitely not been proven. The life insurance representative furnishes a useful public service. It is probably well within the mark to say that perhaps not more than 10% of the business that is now in force would exist if active solicitation for business had not been resorted to. Furthermore, the agents have furnished many an-

*D. H. Kilgour*  
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**Today's WAR NEWS Analysis**

By DE WITT MACKENZIE  
Associated Press War Analyst

The quick victory over the Mikado's stronghold in the heart of the Marshalls has enabled us to complete measurements of the Japanese and to confirm that while their fighters are tough, crafty and ruthless, they can be handled—not easily but well.

The Kwajalein Atoll job has, so to speak, put the Allies over the top both militarily and psychologically in the preliminary offensive leading to the final assault on the main enemy citadel—the Japanese mainland. In the words of Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, commander-in-chief of the U.S. Pacific fleet, this triumph will "serve to speed up the tempo" of operations.

Tokyo gets the feel of this, too. Premier Tojo tells his legislature that the war is "increasing in ferocity day by day and we are now being confronted with the situation where the fate of the Greater East Asia sphere and the rise and fall of imperial Japan will be decided. The present situation does not indicate that the road is to be easy." Nipponese military and political leaders believe the outcome of the war will be decided this year.

**DEFENSIVE AIR MEASURES**

It's significant that in this changing situation the Japanese, like the Hitlerites, are concentrating on the manufacture of defensive types of aircraft rather than the offensive—heavy bombers. That's the thermometer with which we get the enemy temperature. The men of the rising sun have taken a page from the Nazi book of strategy and are going to fight a defensive, delaying action in the hope of tiring the Allies out so they can strike when the Allies are of their ill-gotten gains.

One of Japan's main difficulties is lack of sea transportation. The Domei news agency informed the controlled Asiatic press Wednesday that transportation problems are limiting the country's use of the resources of the occupied areas.

But the Japs haven't the ships to bring it home. On these riches they are dependent to win the war. Admiral Nimitz added a line to this Wednesday by stating the enemy lacks destroyers to escort their convoys or to make up an adequate battle fleet.

Despite Allied superiority on the sea, Nimitz holds that "the Japs can only be defeated from bases in China as early as possible." That fits perfectly the strategy which the Allied high command apparently has been working on, that is, to make bombing the chief weapon for the reduction of Japan proper.

In order to bring the full weight of the vast Anglo-American air fleets to bear on Tokyo, Osaka and other great cities, we must have bases in China. That, of course, involves a hard and complicated task of invasion. Nimitz intimates that his navy, marine corps and army forces will have a big hand in this China drive.

**TOWARD TOKYO**

However, that will be part of the final all-out offensive, which presumably can't be carried out until Hitler has been finished off. It's going to be a titanic operation to open up China, dig the Japanese out of their defenses and drive them back so that we can establish airfields and supply bases within easy striking distance of the heart of the Japanese octopus—Tokyo.

Pending release of equipment from Europe we don't lack preliminaries to occupy our time. We have to complete piercing Japan's eastern shield of which the Japanese are so proud. It's an important part. And we proceed amidst signs that the enemy's defensive structure in the Pacific is crumbling under the Allied assault.

**U.S. Navy Nurses Close to Battle At Kwajalein**

By LEIF ERICKSON  
ABOARD U.S. NAVY HOSPITAL SHIP, KWAJALEIN, MARSHALL ISLANDS (Delayed, AP)—United States navy nurses aboard this hospital ship were the first American women to have a close-up look at U.S. forces in offensive action against the Japanese in the Pacific.

They didn't have much time to watch planes, field artillery and warships slugging the Japanese defenders of Kwajalein and Ebeye Islands. They had to buckle down to steady hours of caring for the wounded brought out from shore.

Lt. Evelyn Erickson, Grand Forks, N.D., who witnessed the attack on Pearl Harbor in December, 1941, said:

"I was glad to see it in reverse—we giving it and the Japs taking it. But I really didn't like seeing bombs and shells exploding. I've seen what happens to our men in battle."

The ship's senior medical officer was busy operating on a seriously wounded man in the air-conditioned operating room when we were guided in. He and his surgical staff had been working steadily at three operating tables then for nearly 24 hours.

**WEARS MAKE-UP**

One ward was supervised by Ensign Romain Mentzer, Ephrata, Pa.

Nurse Mentzer was very tired. But her pretty face was expertly made up with lipstick and rouge. She was looking her best under trying circumstances.

"This is rough," admitted Erickson, "but we've worked with men brought straight from battle like this. They always had been cleaned up pretty well before we saw them."

**Gardiner Calls C.C.F. Members Advocates of National Socialism**

By JAMES MCCOOK  
OTTAWA (CP)—The House of Commons, Wednesday, had expected to vote on a sub-amendment to the address in reply to the Throne Speech, moved by J. S. Roy, Ind., Gaspe, Que., Tuesday night, and then proceed to the main Progressive Conservative amendment. This would have cleared the way for introduction of the war appropriation bill and a statement by Defence Minister Ralston on the position of Lt.-Gen. A. G. L. McNaughton, former Canadian army commander overseas.

Instead, the second speaker of the day, Rev. T. C. Douglas, C.C.F., Weyburn, Sask., criticized what he called the government's "failure" to disallow an act of the Saskatchewan Legislature which extended its life.

From there, Mr. Douglas, Saskatchewan C.C.F. leader, went on to say only Prime Minister King, of all the cabinet members, had spoken in the Throne Speech debate; that the Liberals had failed to live up to promises made after the 1935 election; that the government had given no guarantee that social security proposals in the Throne Speech would be carried through, and that agricultural policies had not worked to the benefit of the farmer.

Agriculture Minister Gardiner, himself a Saskatchewan Member of Parliament, said the ministers were to be commended, not condemned, for not speaking in the debate, since it was considered essential that the debate be shortened as much as possible.

**Leaders Should Take Seats in House**

Leaders of parties should be in their seats as representatives of the people, he said. Mr. Douglas was Saskatchewan C.C.F. leader. One of his party in the Provincial House could resign and allow him to seek election there.

Mr. Douglas had been elected provincial leader, said Mr. Gardiner, while the "real leader" (Maj. George Williams) was serving overseas.

Mr. Gardiner said the principles of liberalism as adopted by the party had been placed on provincial statute books in provinces where the Liberals were in power. The central government did not attempt to dictate to the provinces.

Government action in closing the Winnipeg wheat market and purchasing wheat had made possible participation certificate payments on 1940, 1941 and 1942 wheat. The government had guaranteed a price of \$1.25 a bushel, basis No. 1 northern, and now wheat was being sold at more than this floor price, farmers would share in this gain through their certificates.

Mr. Douglas had claimed the time had come when the production of hogs was down; but if marketings continued at the level of the last three months Canada would have close to 1,000,000,000 pounds of bacon to send to the United Kingdom this year.

**Britain Would Take All Available Hogs**

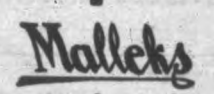
The contract requirements call for shipping 900,000,000 pounds in the next two years but Britain has been ready to take all available.

Under a Liberal government, trade before the war had been increased 50 per cent in spite of the threat of hostilities. The C.C.F. had called for socialism and their representatives had gone to the only countries where there was National Socialism overseas.

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**Must Stand Trial**

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**Engine Worker Killed**

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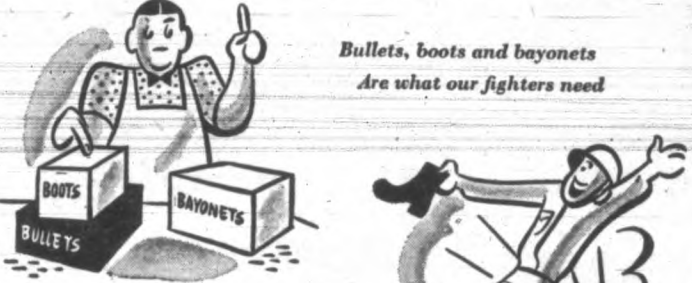
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#### PAYING BIG DIVIDENDS

RUSSIAN SUCCESSES IN THE EAST have been emphasized by the imminent capture of Kirov Rog so quickly after the recapture of Nikolai. Not only significant for their essential military importance but also because of the vital natural resources that now will be denied to the enemy. Nikolai's manganese, for example, was necessary for Germany's industrial potential and its loss may seriously cripple the Nazi war machine, apart from the huge cost in men and material involved.

Ever since the advance of the Soviet troops began last July 12, when Marshal von Manstein's armies were thrown back in their five-day attempt to straighten out the Kursk salient, the greatest emphasis has been placed on territory regained from the enemy—approximately 400,000 square kilometers—on the destruction of men and material, and on the constantly improving strategic position of the westward-driving legions. But from the long-range point of view the Russians naturally are now adding up the advantages that will accrue to them through the enemy's losses in natural and industrial resources—which may be more significant still.

This aspect is not difficult to understand. In the liberated Donbas region alone, for instance, our valiant ally again is in possession of a section which produces more than 90,000,000 tons of coal annually. The enemy also has lost the Donets and Sumy region oil, a vast tract of the best timber land, the most important metal-producing areas in the Soviet Union, grain-producing regions which supplied the U.S.S.R. with about 70 per cent of its winter wheat, 50 per cent of its corn, 40 per cent of its buckwheat, huge quantities of sugar beet, soya beans and other food products. Furthermore, Nazi losses in the industrial plant of Kharkov, Kiev and other centres have been loudly heralded, but the Fuehrer's loss of chemical, food-processing and textile industries may be even more important.

This is not to imply that the military and psychological returns from the seven-month advance along the southern and central sectors of the vast eastern battlefield are overestimated. Nor is it to discount the great strategic value of the enormous successes of Russian arms in the north—the most imposing of which, of course, was the complete liberation of Leningrad after its siege of nearly two and a half years, and, since then, the prospect of prying loose Finland from her ill-chosen partner. But it is to give fitting place to the tremendous material advantages in natural and industrial resources that no longer will be available to the enemy.

#### GOEBBELS WILL LIKE IT

PEOPLE IN BRITAIN WHO HAVE been bombed out of their homes, often miles from any military target, will not relish the criticism a former Archbishop of Canterbury—Lord Lang of Lambeth—and the Bishop of Chichester launched yesterday in the House of Lords against the present policy of Bomber Command. These two eminent divines argued that recent attacks like those against Hamburg, Berlin and Frankfurt were not justifiable acts of war, particularly deploring what they termed a tendency "among some of our people to exult and gloat" over the destruction caused by Allied raiders.

One can understand the feeling of sympathy which animates both Lord Lang and the Bishop: they are thinking of the innocent children who must perforce share the fate of those elements in the Reich over whom no tears need be shed. But this is war—the total war inaugurated and glorified by the Fuehrer and millions of his fanatical dupes. They do not like the turn this phase of the conflict has taken: they are getting the medicine for which they thought they had the exclusive prescription. And as he replied to the complainers in the upper

chamber, Lord Cranborne, as government leader, assured their lordships that 80 per cent of the German fighter planes now were tied down to combat Allied attacks, adding: "That has greatly facilitated the efforts of our heroic Russian allies to liberate their own country from the Nazi yoke." He gave other reasons for Bomber Command's policy and categorically declared:

"It is to me full justification for the present bomber campaign. I cannot give the Bishop of Chichester any hope that we shall abate our bombing policy. On the contrary, we shall continue it in increasing power and with more crushing effect until final victory is secured."

To those sentiments and that promise from Lord Cranborne the great majority of the people of Britain will add their approval—not because they delight in the destruction of enemy peoples, and they know Bomber Command is not committed to terror raids—but because the Nazi oligarchy and its barbaric adherents will interpret any other policy as a sign of weakness and instantly take every possible advantage of it. With the exception of a few like-minded, albeit well-meaning, folk and the "be-kind-to-the-Germans" brigade, about the only people who will welcome the expressions of their lordships will be the Herr Doktor Goebbels and his tribe.

On this question of paying back the cities and peoples of the Reich in their own coin it may be as well to recall what another eminent divine, the Bishop of Coventry, had to say on this subject after he had experienced something of the fury of the Luftwaffe in the historic "city of spires" during that November night in 1940. "At that time the suggestion went forth that the Royal Air Force might indulge in a little indiscriminate bombing on its own; and the Bishop thought it might become morally justifiable because the Nazis were seeking to paralyze the life of whole cities by new and unspeakably horrible methods. 'If we are not prepared to realize what total war may require,' he said, 'then we might have done better not to have resisted Nazi aggression in the first place; a nation is not necessarily morally degraded if it does terrible things in war against its will and because they are forced on it.'"

It is hardly likely the protests of Lord Lang and the Bishop of Chichester will be echoed by the present Archbishop of Canterbury or the Archbishop of York. The latter visited the Soviet Union late last summer and learned at first hand how the "dear Germans" have behaved toward the Russian people and what they have done to every village, town, and city they have occupied.

#### HEPBURN FOR BRACKEN?

NEWS FROM OTTAWA HAS IT THAT former Liberal Premier Mitchell Hepburn of Ontario will be an independent candidate in the constituency of Elgin in the next federal election and throw his support to Progressive Conservative Leader John Bracken—who is needing a seat in the House of Commons as badly as a certain king of another day needed a horse.

Nor would it surprise anyone what Mr. Hepburn did. His concept of Liberalism differs little from that of others who give cheap lip-service to a basic philosophy so long as it suits them to wear its label. If the report from the national capital should turn out to be true, however, it will simply mean that the electors of Elgin will be treated to a spirited campaign.

#### FOREIGN POLICY LESSON

DOWN IN HAMILTON THE OTHER DAY at McMaster University, Hon. Colin Gibson, Minister of National Revenue, discussed Canada's foreign policy and summarized his arguments in the following eight points:

1. Canada's foreign policy must be consistent with the general view of all important sections of the Canadian people.  
2. Canada cannot live in isolation from the rest of the world. She realizes that a threat to the security of any nation is a threat to the security of all.

3. As one of the world's great trading nations, Canada believes in the urgent necessity of breaking the barriers to world trade.

4. Canada has subscribed to the Atlantic Charter. She believes that prosperity is indivisible and she is willing to play her part in international activity to promote freedom from want all over the world.

5. Canada is interested in international organization for the preservation of security and the promotion of prosperity. Canada does not believe that international organizations should be solely in the hands of the great powers or that they should necessarily always include all countries. Canada wishes to be represented on all international bodies having to do with subjects in which she has a major interest, and she believes that other countries have the same right.

6. Because their general interests and traditions are fundamentally the same, Canada adopts her policies to harmonize with the other members of the British Commonwealth.

7. Because her security, her prosperity and her way of life are so closely tied up with those of the United States, Canada must maintain friendly and harmonious relations with that country.

8. Canada is as much the mistress of her own foreign policy as is any sovereign state of the same size in the world and Canadian foreign policy decisions are "taken by the Canadian people and their government."

Canadians should be familiar with the foregoing points as fundamental in the development of our external relations, inside as well as outside of the Commonwealth. They are clothed with special interest in view of the opinions expressed by Field Marshal Smuts and Lord Halifax.

Spring will bring the usual number of optimists—folks who believe everything they read in a seed catalogue.

#### Bruce Hutchison

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##### DIRTY DAY

DIARY OF JUST another day in exile: It snowed this morning. You will not be interested in this, but the world will be. For the world will need the grain of these prairies this year and the prairies need moisture. Every flake of today's snow, melting in the spring, will seep in the dark, rich earth of our plains, to combine with its chemicals and produce the miracle of wheat growth. And the difference between moisture in this soil and drought next spring will mean the difference between eating and starving to thousands of men, women, and children in foreign lands. Today's snow thus is world news of first importance, which you cannot appreciate, living as you do in the land of crouches and daffodils.

A trifle of snow, the waiter said at breakfast this morning, a few wisps of moisture from the skies. But a coastal dweller, lacking the extra layer of skin which nature has wrapped about these neo-Eskimos of the prairies, found a blizzard raging outside, and the snow cutting his face like a well-honed razor. Walking to the office was like Captain Scott's last dash to the South Pole. "It's very mild," said the elevator man at the office.

##### THEY TALK

THE WHOLE TOWN is still talking about Lord Halifax, because no one really wants to talk about the weather, as we do on the coast. Whereas we, having a delightful subject to discuss, keep our minds on the lowly flowers of the field and the planting of the first peas, in Winnipeg, unable to indulge in these dear delights, the people turn their minds to international affairs, and it is not surprising in the least when the janitor engages you in conversation about the future of the British Commonwealth. But, after a while, it rather makes you yearn for the daffodils.

As I was writing this a gentleman came into the office, laboring under a great excitement. He had just been to Ottawa for the first time this winter, and he had had his first look at the Prime Minister. He always known, he said, that Mr. King must have some ability or he would not have been Prime Minister so long; but he had assumed, on all the available evidence, that Mr. King was no heller—just a quiet little man, the professor type, and of little use to the movie photographers. Then, suddenly, he had wandered into the gallery of the House of Commons on the day when Mr. King was making his historic speech on the Halifax theory of Empire. To his amazement, he said, Mr. King, without any notes, was making a rip-roaring speech, straight from the shoulder. The prairie farmer was staggered and reeled out of this office asking himself how long this had been going on and why didn't the newspapers tell the truth about the Prime Minister?

##### TRUTH

THE SQUIRRELS here don't seem to have any sense. Instead of hibernating, two of them were out in the blizzard today as lively as crickets and, lacking trees, they were racing along the telephone wires. I watched them travel several blocks on their private transportation system. It should be noted in fairness that our squirrels on the island have never yet discovered this method of locomotion.

Winnipeg has been having a siege of opera. It is not as long or virulent as the recent siege of "Titi," but a man exposes himself to it at his own peril. After two successive nights of it I am beginning to convalesce slowly. What I cannot understand about opera is (1) the music and (2) why all female opera stars are so well upholstered, with the result that when the heartbroken lover in "La Boheme" sank his head upon the dead form of Mimì it quite disappeared as if in a pneumatic cushion. Mimì looked pretty healthy to me a moment before her illness proved fatal.

Everybody said it was very fine opera. Being a coward, I said it was very fine opera, but went home thinking privately that Frank Sinatra may not be such a bad guy after all.

#### SATIRIZES NAZI BEER PARTY

LONDON—Moscow radio, in a recent German transmission heard by Reuters, broadcast a poem "obviously" drawing a parallel between Hitler's latest beer-hall gathering, and Belshazzar's feast when the writing on the wall "mene, mene, tekel upharis" (weighed and found wanting) foretold the fall of the king.

The poem roughly translated, was as follows:

They met to feast in the dead of night,  
The skies were dark and the beer was bright.

And each was seized with shuddering,  
If only he knew what fate might bring.  
But the Fuehrer mocked at the silent band,

It is midnight gone and yet I stand,  
And lo, from below a whirlwind stirred,  
The Fuehrer was stunned—it drowned his word.

And white as the whitest chalk was he,  
As whispering winds blew from Germany.

The galeaters' band sat cold with dread,  
And made no sound and moved no head.

With terror frozen the mute array  
Heard the voice of the people say:  
"Hush Adolf! Be prepared to go  
And ask not if the clock be slow,

"Hush Adolf! Let the dial be,  
For you it strikes eternity.  
"Hush Adolf! Can you stop the bell?  
I rise from Hades, you go to hell.

"Your hour is struck; you stand aghast,  
And when I rise, your time is past!"

#### Log of The House

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##### OFF AGAIN

This Legislature's old, well-worn capitalism vs. socialism argument got off to a flying start on Wednesday. So far the subject has been fairly well ignored, with speakers from both sides looking in other directions.

But Wednesday there was little else but a continuation of this debate. It was difficult for the galleries to believe they were listening to their legislators running the business of the province, for there was hardly any business in sight. Instead the galleries must have thought they were attending a political debate on a public platform.

##### BATHERS

Agriculture Minister K. C. MacDonald opened up with a hearty attack on the C.C.F. Every now and then he got back into agriculture, but he kept returning to the C.C.F. He was particularly annoyed because some of the C.C.F.'ers had called last summer's volunteer farm corps a land army on paper only. All the C.C.F. ever did, he said, was knock, knock, knock, and while patriotic citizens were out saving the crops the C.C.F. had been sunbathing at their summer school camp on an island somewhere.

He intimated he might have tried to be converted to the C.C.F. philosophy, but just couldn't take it. "No, Mr. Speaker," he said, "I am unable to accept the political philosophy of this 'big rock candy mountain' party, which expects to arrive on the 'lemonade tide' in the 'land of make believe.'" He said Mr. Herridge had out-fiddled the Fuller brush man in peddling C.C.F. propaganda, and he said that Mr. MacNeil was only dealing in second-hand literature when he handed out C.C.F. pamphlets, for most of the stuff was 30 years old and just wouldn't work and there was no use trying to make it work.

##### BULLS

It is too bad Dr. MacDonald didn't stay more with agriculture, for he gives a very good agricultural talk indeed. When he did stay in his department and forgot the C.C.F., the House heard all about horses and pigs and cows. He invited all the members to a bull sale in Kamloops next month. He thought the C.C.F. would have their eyes opened if they could attend that bull sale. They would see there just what is being done for agriculture in this province.

##### GLOATER

Vincent Segur, making his maiden legislative speech, kept the argument going. He is the man who won the Revelstoke by-election for the C.C.F., and not only did he gloat about it, but he rubbed it well into the government benches. He said he didn't feel strange at all in the House, for all the Coalitionists had been to Revelstoke and cabinet ministers roaming the streets and byways had become as friends and neighbors.

Mrs. Nancy Hodges, from Victoria, was the hardest worker he had ever seen, when it came to campaigns. She spoke all night and campaigned all day and he advised people to pay no attention to her when she said she was nearing old-age pension years. "She's good for 30 years yet," he said. Mrs. Hodges, it appears, in Revelstoke last year, kept going at such a pace he couldn't catch up with her until election day. Whenever a cloud of dust appeared, that was just Mrs. Hodges off to an election meeting. He rapped her for saying the C.C.F. had depression psychosis.

##### ZENITH

He predicted the Premier and the Minister of Labor had reached the zenith of their greatness and he advised them to retire now, while the retiring is good, if they want a few lines in history, for the postwar depression will deflate them. Mr. Hart and Mr.

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Pearson looked as if they intend to continue until the public votes otherwise.

Mr. Segur is no shrinking violet and showed no modesty and shyness, as becoming a new member making his first speech. He is doubtless a strong acquisition to the C.C.F. ranks, and his fellow socialist at Ottawa just wouldn't co-operate, nor would big business in the east. Even the C.P.R., he said, which employs Mr. Segur, didn't have the vision and character necessary to help Mr. Patten. Mr. Segur said it would have been different had the C.P.R. been public owned. Dr. Gillis wanted to know if Mr. Segur would be willing to have conductors and porters paid the same as locomotive engineers, Mr. Segur being a locomotive engineer. Mr. Segur said absolutely yes, that the C.C.F. aim is not to bring the big fellow down, but the little fellow up. Mr. Assestine decided Mr. Segur would mellow with time.

After these few interruptions, which enlivened otherwise dull proceedings, Mr. Assestine continued his speech, all about the north and what should be done there to develop this great hinterland. He painted such pictures of the vast empire of Atlin that everyone felt they would like to take a trip to the far north and view the gorgeous scenery, perhaps fish and hunt and share in some of the wealth. His was the most fact-full speech of the day and contained lots of really good stuff.—J. K. N.

#### THIS WAR—FOUR YEARS AGO

FEB. 10, 1940—French troops repulsed a German attack on a western front advance post north-east of Saarlouis. British Air Minister Sir Kingsley Wood announced new aircraft contract for Canada. The French Chamber of Deputies gave Premier Daladier a unanimous vote of confidence.

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Shreddeds, at	2 pks. 19c
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#### Stamp Booths Do Well

National War Finance Committee reports that the war savings stamp booths in Spencer's and Hudson's Bay Company, under the convenship of Mrs. J. H. Carver, have sold \$854.50 worth of stamps in the month of January.

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### Trustees Initiate Plan to Establish Preprimary Classes

Swinging behind the move to establish preprimary classes for children five years old next September, the City School Board Wednesday night approved an expenditure of \$800 for repairs, improvements and readjustments to Spring Ridge School, proposed home of the first groups under the plan.

The sum will also cover certain equipment and supplies, Trustee F. G. Mulliner, chairman of the education committee, reported.

"Under the plan proposed," said the report covering the question, "children would attend for a half-day. Hence one teacher can handle two groups of 25 children. It is proposed, if the board approves, to open one centre experimentally in September, and to add other centres later. If the board is impressed with their value, the Minister of Education in an interview with the education committee has promised a salary and equipment grant."

The report listed the advantages of the scheme, noted provision for it in the B.C. School Act, and said if established, the preprimary set-up would be first to become an integral part of any school system in B.C., and probably Canada.

Question was raised by Trustee Austin Curtis, board chairman, over the absence from the city of a member of the College staff. He asked if the individual had requested, or been granted, leave of absence by the education committee. Trustee Mulliner replied no information had been received about any request. The board tabled the matter for the time being.

At the suggestion of Mr. L. Campbell, municipal inspector, by the Department of Education to the provincial central curriculum revision committee, which makes recommendations to the department on all matters affecting curriculum for elementary, junior or senior high schools in the province, drew praise from members of the board, who noted the distinction accorded the official by the appointment.

Use of the High School auditorium on afternoons and evenings during the week of April 24 was granted the school drama interests. Provision was also made for a noncompetitive festival of song by schools in the same auditorium during March. Outside applications for use of the auditorium from the Toronto Conservatory Alumni Association for a Gertrude Huntly Green Canadian Red Cross concert, April 14, and from the Victoria Musical Arts Society, Intermediate Group, for a Myra Hess Fund event, April 20, were granted, subject to the usual terms.

The board authorized, on the same arrangement as last year, use of the Central Junior High School grounds by the Gryo Club for its annual hole-in-one golf contest in aid of the Solarium, from July 5 to 8, inclusive.

A.R.P. authorities were given permission to store gas masks in schools, with no liability accepted by school officials.

Trustee Isla Tuck was appointed board representative on the "Teen Canteen."

The board noted a resolution from the Victoria Rugby Union urging physical education supervision in schools, and asking that any sports vote for the year cover provision of English rugby balls for students.

A traffic control figure will be used on trial outside Sir James Douglas School to determine its merits before the board accepts an offer for provision of several figures of a similar type.

A schedule of moving pictures and lectures by Dr. C. G. Carl of the Provincial Museum, in all schools during February and March, was approved by the board.

Leave of absence for the 1944-45 school year was granted Mrs. Teresa Jephson, Oaklands, to continue studies at the university.

During the period from May 1, 1942, to Jan. 31, 1944, the Central Book Mendery repaired 1,471 school books at a cost of 22 cents apiece.

Purchase of supplementary readers by the board from the city library at a price of \$16.59, half their original cost, was authorized.

Improvements to the Central Junior High cafeteria include doubling the kitchen space and installing a new refrigerator, the board was told. A new range is on order.

The City Council will be asked to meet a financial obligation to the Victoria Schools Band to assist that group in attending a band festival in Vancouver this year.

Trustee Mulliner Wednesday night received from his successor, Board Chairman Trustee



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#### Duncan Council

DUNCAN—The Cowichan assessment roll was confirmed by the Duncan City Council Tuesday.

The request of the Knifty Knitters for financial assistance in mailing cigarettes to service men overseas, was refused.

The Bank of Commerce notified the council of their reduction of interest rate on savings accounts from 1½ to 1 per cent. J. C. Wragg was appointed

Austin Curtis, the gavel Mr. Mulliner wielded for three years in office. The instrument bore a silver presentation plaque. The gavel was made at the technical school, in which the trustee had shown exceptional interest.

delegate to the Chamber of Commerce to confer on rehabilitation schemes. The Duncan Kinsmen and the Chamber of Commerce request for consideration of public lavatory facilities, was referred to the sewerage and health committee.

Tag days were granted to Cowichan Chapter Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire in April; Women's Institute for the Solarium in May; W.A. to hospital in September.

A petition was received from the Farmers' Union of Nanaimo, asking the council to endorse a protest against the price of gasoline since the reduction in the octane content.

Estimates for the year 1944 were received from the Duncan Consolidated School Board and

passed. The streets committee recommended council confine themselves to maintaining existing asphalt roads with no new major construction and that they would welcome petitions for concrete sidewalks by the owners of property adjoining those asphalt sidewalks which are not in good condition at the present time.

Accounts, totaling \$2,044.10 were passed for payment. The hospital committee reported the hospital appears to be in considerable financial difficulty, with no relief in sight at the moment. The electric light committee reported on the Chamber of Commerce meeting, and stated that data would be obtained with regard to the comparative rates for electric power in other districts.

#### Segur Forecasts Great Depression

A greater depression is coming when the war ends than was experienced in the early 30's, Vincent Segur, C.C.F., Revelstoke, said in the Legislature Wednesday.

"We have the same men in control of government, in control of industry, in control of finance as we had in the prewar years," he said. "They are determined to preserve the status quo. With such leadership how can any thinking person avoid arriving at the conclusion that we are headed into a greater depression than we had in the 30's, once the

last shot is fired in this global war."

Mr. Segur said the only solution to the economic problems is the plan outlined by the C.C.F.

"Ours is a great Christian crusade, a crusade that challenges the present selfish profit system, that this government is at present doing its best to preserve," he said. "Private enterprise has failed, government has failed, all who can remember back 15 years recognize that fact. Our movement is a great crusade, the greatest crusade since the Prince of Peace sent his 12 disciples out to preach the brotherhood of man."

He said the time is coming when the Regina manifesto of the C.C.F. in time will take its

place beside those other great historical documents, the Magna Charta and the American Declaration of Independence.

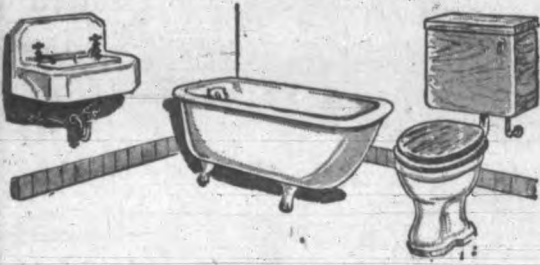
The new member said the Canadian people in the future must have some say in a foreign policy which every 25 years leads Canada into war.

Five years ago, he said, when he attempted to speak about British foreign policy he was told it was none of his business.

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## Speaker Deplores Lack of Reform In Canada's Prisons

"Is it any wonder that so many give up the unequal struggle for existence and return to criminal life?" Mrs. W. E. Mitchell, secretary of the John Howard Society, said, regarding the alarming growth of repeaters in Canada's prisons, in an address to the Women's Round Table, Wednesday evening.

"I have noticed no real attempt at reformatory education during seven years' experience of dealing with men coming out of prisons," Mrs. Mitchell continued. In a summary of the Royal Commission investigation into prison conditions, Mrs. Mitchell spoke of the lack of proper spiritual guidance, both during and after prison terms, and of the constant craving for freedom, born of the lack of proper mental and physical occupation. It was shown that medical care is indifferent, with daily exercise in the open air limited to prove detrimental, and a feeling of injustice found prevalent in the prisons. The present prison system, according to the report of the commission, was found to lead to a general demoralization of those subjected to it.

Recommendations of the Archambault Commission were related by Mrs. F. Barr, secretary of the Council of Social Agencies, and among the 88 changes were highlighted: Central government control of the penal system, reconstruction of penitentiary staffs, revision of rules, method of classification for the prisoners, grades and merit system for reformatory prisoners, the trial of prison offences by the jury, and the right of visiting and writing privileges, distribution of a weekly newspaper, and greater freedom for chaplains in meeting prisoners.

Mrs. D. L. McLaurin presided, and Mrs. J. M. Thomas was the discussion leader.

## Dramatic Afternoon For Canadian Club

Brilliant character sketches were used by Dean Spencer H. Elliott to illustrate his address on "The Dramatic" to the Women's Canadian Club Wednesday at the Empress Hotel.

Dean Elliott discussed the Greek drama, explaining the chorus, the dialogue and the origin of the longer lyric poems. He told the audience his belief that the most dramatic moment he had ever witnessed, on the stage came at the conclusion of the "Subjection of Kezia," and went on vividly enacting the scene of the little play.

Shylock was perhaps his most appreciated role, and his presentation of the Jew was masterly. A brief part as King Lear and other Shakespearean figures were equally enjoyed.

Dickens' characters in the presentation of Bob Cratchit's Christmas party dispelled the sadness of the previous recitation, "The New Year's Debt." This sad little story was a poem recited by the dean as a young lad of 10 years.

Miss Elaine Hart was the vocal soloist and was accompanied by Mrs. G. A. McCurdy.

Announcement was made by Mrs. F. G. Aldous, president, of the next meeting Feb. 28, when Dr. Charlotte Whitton will speak on "What We Mean by Social Security."

## Hearty Valentine Fare



The paper shortage has curtailed the manufacture of quite a few nonessentials, as you yourself may have discovered when shopping for such things as party favors and table decorations. But don't let this stop you if you've been planning a Valentine party. For the table centerpiece, buy a bunch of white sprayed branches, trim them with red paper hearts and arrange in a squat bowl like the one of modern glassware shown here. For place mats, fold round paper doilies and cut-out heart-shaped pieces and paste on edge of a white paper circle. Use the rest of the cut-out dolly to trim a circle of red paper, rolled into a conical shape and tied to pieces of pipe cleaners with red ribbons, to form hoop-skirted paper doll place cards. Decorate napkins with red paper and lace hearts.

## Personal Notes

Mrs. E. F. Cotton, Crescent Road, will leave Friday for Vancouver.

Miss Madge Thomson of Vancouver is spending several days at the home of Mrs. William Sloane, St. Patrick Street.

Mrs. George McMicken of Victoria and her son, Robert Jackson, will go to Banff this week to spend the next month.

Among servicemen and their wives at the Empress Hotel for the weekend are: Mrs. H. McBratney of Camp Shilo and Lieut. and Mrs. Don Fisher of Monmouth. Lieut. Col. F. Lister is also here from Camp Lister.

Mrs. W. Amos Simson and Mrs. Edith Morrell are here from Montreal. Others in Victoria from the east include Lieut. Jacques Craig, Outremont; Mrs. C. A. Smith and FO. J. A. Lucas, Toronto, and FO. H. Herovitch, Montreal.

Miss Peggy Muir entertained about 20 friends at the home of her mother, Mrs. R. J. Muir, 519 William Street, with a shower to honor Miss Lorna Dignan, February bride-elect. Little Miss Erna Meares presented the gifts to the guest of honor.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Lorimer received the names of Leila Mae, at a christening ceremony Sunday afternoon, Rev. J. C. Jackson officiating. Later, the guests were entertained at tea by Mr. and Mrs. Lorimer at their home, 1245 McKenzie Street.

Mrs. F. R. Arkell and her daughter of Vancouver are at the Empress Hotel. Other mainland visitors are Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Loo-dal, Mrs. Frank Smith, Mrs. Geo. Young, Mrs. E. Krieger, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Scott and Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Munshaw.

Miss Jean Milton, bride-elect of this month, was guest of honor at a miscellaneous shower held at the home of Mrs. J. Fawcett, Harbinger Avenue, by the staff of the Crystal Finish Studio. Those present included Mesdames J. Milton, H. Raines, E. Veitch, C. Frigard, J. Porteous, C. Milton, W. A. Simmons, J. Honeychurch, H. Thirwall, J. Fawcett, L. W. Jackson, and the Misses A. Logan, H. Jackson, M. Fawcett, B. Fawcett, B. Regan, G. Thomas, J. Mackie and K. McCulloch.

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Among U.S. visitors at the Empress Hotel are Mrs. E. F. Wilcox of Bremerton, Miss L. B. Rat and Mrs. K. L. Reckord, Spokane; Capt. and Mrs. W. H. Weaver, Tacoma, and Mrs. A. W. Britt, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Gray, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. White of Seattle.

Mr. S. D. H. Pope and family, and Mr. W. F. Pope are all at the Strathcona Hotel. At the Strathcona also are Mrs. Olive Robb of Qu'Appelle, Sask., and Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Johnson of Wetaskiwin.

Mrs. R. C. J. De Satge, provincial commandant of the Canadian Red Cross Corps, visited No. 1 detachment in Victoria this week and was entertained at dinner by officers of the corps. Later she addressed all ranks on parade at Christ Church Memorial Hall. Mrs. De Satge also attended a meeting at Red Cross headquarters called by Mrs. A. D. Strath, chairman of the Red Cross Home Nursing committee, to meet Dr. J. H. Wood, national director of First Aid Service, Toronto, who was a visitor to Red Cross headquarters.

Executive of the Women's Canadian Club entertained at tea Wednesday in the Empress Hotel, when guest of honor was Dean Spencer H. Elliott, who was the speaker at the meeting earlier in the afternoon. Miss Elaine Hart, soloist, and Mrs. G. A. McCurdy, accompanist, were also guests of the executive. Mrs. P. B. Scurrah and Mrs. W. G. Wilson presided at the table, and others present were Mesdames W. H. Wilson, D. L. McLaurin, F. G. Aldous, A. J. Campbell, Fred Pollard, Donald McAdie, W. Stanley Moore, W. H. Yardley, H. V. Guest, K. Drury, Jack Barraciough, E. W. Hetherington, Herbert Pendray, B. F. Gummow, H. Noel, T. S. Patterson, D. W. Morrey, Hugh McCall, and the Misses E. Hensley, Marjorie Sweet (Winnipeg), Anna Stairs and E. B. Chipman.

## A.Y.P.A. News

St. John's — The last meeting was opened with prayers, led by Miss Joan Brice. Arthur Gillians, a new guest, was welcomed. A banquet and dance report was read by Miss Cora Mantion, convener of the affair. At the close of the meeting a work night was held and the prayer books were needed. Next week members will meet at the church hall at 8.

Metropolitan — New members and guests welcomed at a Valentine party were: Mrs. Pat Dunk, Miss Peggy Butterfield and Walter Bone. The program opened with a sing-song, conducted by Ed. Walker, and games were led by Miss Ella Marr and Miss Beth Walker. A group of vocal solos was given by Miss Peggy Butterfield, accompanied by Miss Beth Walker. Miss Ivy Miles and Miss Jean Adams served refreshments. Bowling will be held at the Arcade Alleys, Friday, at 7. On Tuesday, at 8, the union will join the other young people's unions for an evening rally in the schoolroom of the Metropolitan Church. The program will be under the direction of the Victoria Presbytery Y.P.U. executive.

## Ration Coupons

Ration coupons valid Friday are: Tea or coffee, Nos. 14 to 29; sugar, Nos. 14 to 26; preserves, Nos. D1 to D13; butter, Nos. 46 to 49; and meat, Nos. 35 to 38. One meat coupon now equals a quarter-pound can of salmon.

## Weddings

### McBRATNEY-MACDONALD

Margaret Constance, only daughter of Maj. and Mrs. J. C. MacDonald, 786 Island Road, exchanged marriage vows Wednesday evening in St. Mary's Church, Oak Bay, with Lieut. Charles Howard McBratney, R.C.A., son of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. McBratney, Flin Flon, Man. Archdeacon A. E. de L. Nunn read the service and F. T. C. Wickett played the wedding music.

A two-piece afternoon frock of imported rose wool was chosen by the bride for her wedding costume, and she was given away by her father. Her small matching hat was trimmed with veiling, and a spray of orchids was pinned to her shoulder. Mrs. Harry Clarke of Qualicum Beach was the only bridal attendant, frocked in spring blue wool with matching hat and a corsage bouquet of violets. Best man was W. R. McBratney, uncle of the groom, while FO. Harry Clarke, R.C.A.F., Jack Lanigan and Gordon Ford ushered.

A reception was held at the home of the bride's parents, where Maj. and Mrs. MacDonald were assisted in receiving the guests by Mr. and Mrs. McBratney. Toast to the bride was proposed by C. Rupert Wickson. After a short honeymoon, Lieut. and Mrs. McBratney will leave to make their home in Brandon, Man., the bride wearing a green-tweed suit, brown fur-trimmed hat and a fur coat.

### HADDON-MURRAY

At a fully choral service this morning at 11.15, in the chapel of Queen Margaret's School, Duncan, Roma Jean, elder daughter of Maj. and Mrs. R. G. H. Murray, Kildoon, Mt. Newton Crossroads, Saanichton, became the bride of Fl. Lt. Ernest George (Gerry) Haddon, R.A.F., son of Mrs. M. Haddon, London, Eng. The ceremony was performed in the church, Duncan, assisted by Sqn. Ldr. R. Mossop, R.A.F. chaplain, and Rev. Warren Turner, St. Stephen's, Saanichton.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, and wore a gown of white crepe, inset with French embroidered net. A Juliet cap, and Christmas roses caught a long veil to her head, and she carried an all-white bouquet of carnations and roses. Twin frocks of robin's egg blue sheer with bishop's sleeves were worn by the bridesmaids, Miss Dawn Murray and Miss Gill Kendall. They carried Victoria posies of white and yellow flowers. Fl. Lt. A. Smith, R.A.F., was best man, and ushering were PO. L. Preddy and Fl. Lt. R. Millbank, both R.A.F.

Maj. and Mrs. Murray welcomed many guests to a reception at Queen Margaret's School, and the bride cut the wedding cake with her father's kukri, used previously at his wedding in India. Fl. Lt. and Mrs. Haddon left for a winter sports honeymoon at Lake Louise, the bride traveling in a madonna blue crepe suit, matching accessories, fur coat and corsage bouquet of orchids and blue iris.

### CAMPBELL-TIEGS

PO. John Craig Campbell, R.C.A.F., and his bride, the former Leah Marie Tiegs, whose marriage took place Wednesday evening in the Shalto Chapel of First Congregational Church, Los Angeles, will visit Victoria within two or three days en route to make their home in Saskatoon, where the groom is stationed. PO. Campbell is the elder son of Mr. H. L. Campbell, municipal inspector of schools, and Mrs. Campbell, 1403 Ryan Street, and the bride is the daughter of Dean Ernest W. Tiegs of the University of Southern California and Mrs. Tiegs, Circle View Boulevard, Los Angeles. Rev. Dr. Donald Tippett read the service.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride chose a wedding gown of white. Picture frocks of ashes of roses, purple, feather skull caps frothed with matching veiling, and muffs of violets were

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## SCURRAHS

the ensembles worn by Miss Carol Tiegs, maid of honor, and the bridesmaids, Misses Virginia Tiegs, June Hiniker, Gloria Noblitt and little Marilyn Adams. Peter Campbell supported his brother, and ushering were Tyler MacDonald and Kenneth Lomax, both of the United States Marine Corps Reserve; Bryan W. Stevens, John Norcor, Trovie Lyons, all of the United States Naval Reserve.

A post reception at the home of the bride's parents for the bridal party, relatives and intimate friends, followed a larger reception in the church parlors, where Mrs. H. L. Campbell assisted in receiving the guests.

Before joining the air force, PO. Campbell was a student of Victoria College and Toronto University, Dental College, and is now a flying instructor at No. 4 Service Flying Training School at Saskatoon. The bride is an accomplished pianist, performing at the Summer School here in 1941. She is a third-year student in arts and music at U.S.C. and a member of Alpha Chi Omega Sorority and Phi Beta, national honorary musical sorority.

### ROBINSON-MORRISON

The marriage took place Tuesday afternoon at "Tircones," Island Highway, home of the groom, of Sir Heaton Forbes Robinson and Miss Irene H. M. Morrison. Rev. G. H. Greenhalgh performed the ceremony. The bride was given away by Mrs. James Macfarlane and Mr. W. E. Stevenson supported the groom.



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A report of the W.M.S. Presbyterial annual meeting was given by Mrs. Phyllis Kidson at the last meeting of Centennial evening auxiliary of the W.M.S. Miss Mary Peat presiding. Devotional period was led by Mrs. Kidson and Miss Vera Barnes read an article on Christian stewardship. A chapter of the study book was reviewed by Miss Rhoda Cargill.

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Four oranges, 2 carrots, 1 green pepper, 1 onion (if desired), ½ cup sugar, few grains salt.

Quarter oranges; remove any seeds. Remove peel from 2 oranges. Scrape carrots; quarter lengthwise. Quarter green pepper; remove seeds and stem. Peel onion. Put oranges (2 with peel and 2 without peel), carrots, green pepper and onion through food chopper, using medium blade. Add sugar and salt; mix well. Chill, covered, in refrigerator several hours before using. (Relish will keep well in refrigerator a week or two.)

### Honey-Orange Relish (Serves 4)

Four cups raw cranberries, 2 large oranges, 1 cup sugar, 1-cup honey.

Quarter oranges; remove any seeds. Put cranberries and oranges through food chopper, using medium blade. Add sugar

and honey; mix well. Chill, covered, in refrigerator several hours before using. (Relish will keep well in refrigerator for several weeks.)



Crisp relish is made of orange, carrot, green pepper and onion.

### Pickled Orange Quarters, Florida Style (Serves 4)

Three oranges, ½ teaspoon salt, 1 cup sugar, 2-tablespoons corn syrup, ¼ cup water, ½ cup vinegar, 6 whole cloves, ¼ stick cinnamon.

Place oranges in boiling water to cover; add salt. Boil 20 minutes; drain. Cover again with boiling water; boil 20 minutes longer; drain. Cut oranges in lengthwise quarters. Combine sugar, corn syrup, water and vinegar; cook until sugar is dissolved. Add cloves and cinnamon; boil 10 minutes. Arrange orange quarters in casserole; pour syrup over oranges. Cover;



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## Dorothy Dix

Dear Miss Dix: War is complicated enough in itself, but mothers-in-law and grandmothers bawl it up still more, and to my notion are a greater menace to individual freedom than the Nazis and the Japs. I am a married man in the army. Have a wife and one child. Knowing that I will have to go overseas soon, I would like to have my wife and child near me as long as possible, and I could easily arrange this.

She has taken possession of the baby and monopolizes him. She is going to train him according to her theories of child-rearing, and we have no say-so about it. She makes all the decisions and we have to meekly do her bidding. And the only way we can keep the peace is by keeping our mouths shut and doing as she tells us. She is ruining our lives. Why doesn't she leave us alone to go our way, while she goes hers? FRED.

Answer: Some of the greatest tyrants in the world are women, and when a woman does have the dictator complex she makes all the Nazis and the Hitlers look like appeasers. She not only rules all about her with a rod of iron, but she expects her victims to kiss the hand that smites them, and to glorify her for her kindness in directing every detail of their lives for them.

Women's public activities being circumscribed, these female despots are driven to concentrating their efforts on their homes and families, where they do a job of plain and fancy bossing that fills every beholder with awe and wonder. For they are not content with constituting themselves as She Who Must Be Obeyed and depriving their husbands and children of their major liberties; they also take away from them all of their little individual tastes and habits and opinions.

## Girl Guide Notes

Langford Local Association met at the home of Mrs. J. Hayton, Leigh Road, Mrs. D. B. F. Bullen presided, and the secretary-treasurer was Mrs. G. A. Thompson. Mrs. Fraser was elected social convener, and Mrs. Hayton, refreshment convener. Final arrangements were made for the Guide and Brownie concert to be held on Feb. 11 at the W.I. Hall. Teacup-reading will be convener by Mrs. Hughena Carlow. An invitation bridge party will be held at the home of Mrs. D. Salvesen, 60 Dunford Road, Langford, at 8 on Feb. 26 to aid Langford Local Association, sponsors of the Girl Guides and Brownies in that district. Mrs. Hayton and Mrs. Fraser will be the conveners.

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<b>SMOKED JOWLS</b> Non-rationalized, per lb. <b>23¢</b>	<b>SIDE BACON</b> Sliced, ½ lb. <b>23¢</b>
<b>DRY SALT PORK</b> Per lb. <b>25¢</b>	<b>BACK BACON</b> Sliced, ½ lb. <b>28¢</b>
<b>COTTAGE CHEESE</b> Per lb. <b>13¢</b>	<b>SKINLESS WIENERS</b> Per lb. <b>25¢</b>
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**Club Calendar**  
Langford Community Club, bridge party, Saturday at 8, at home of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Heggie, St. Aidan's House, Island Highway.

War Funds of the W.A. to Prince Edward Branch, Canadian Legion, were augmented by an old-time dance held in the Colwood Hall, Mrs. M. Deane-Freeman was general convener, and Miss Buller convener refreshments.

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# Sports Mirror

By PETE SALLAWAY

ONE MUST give Coley Hall, sponsor of the Vancouver St. Regis hockey team, credit for plenty of intestinal fortitude. Hall has stepped out and grabbed Sweeney Schriener, former Toronto Maple Leaf and New York American star, for his line-up against New Westminster C.P.A.L. in the coast playoff opening tonight in the mainland town. Hall is importing Schriener and possibly Joe McGoldrick, an ex-New York American, all the way from Calgary.

Schriener has been performing in the Alberta Garrison League while McGoldrick is a member of the Calgary Buffaloes, last year's western Canada intermediate champions. To get these professionals to come all the way to the coast Hall must have had a little bit of cash on the line. Players like Schriener and McGoldrick don't make a 600-mile train jaunt for the love of the game. But the cagey Hall no doubt figures the presence of these two veterans on his club will add that much more drawing power to the series which will be reflected in the gate receipts. And we'd say he's got the right slant at that.

Vancouver's boxing fraternity received a blow this week with the announcement that Pre Hank Devine, one of the most noted and popular boxers in the Pacific Northwest, is missing in action with the Canadian army on the Mediterranean battlefield. Devine went overseas about six months ago.

Tournament golf is harder to master than major league baseball. Authority for that statement is Sammie Byrd, former star at the West Coast Open, who is now a member of the touring professionals at present campaigning in winter tournaments.

Writing in Esquire Byrd states that, to be a big league baseballer you need a good eye, power at bat, speed afoot and a

strong arm. Occasionally you need quick thinking, but as a rule, what some people regard as quick thinking in baseball players is really a reaction that has become automatic due to long training. In golf, on the other hand, it's think, think, think all the way around. You have to start concentrating on the first tee and the tension never lets up till you hole your last putt.

The baseball is in motion coming toward you. The golf ball is cold and dormant, allowing you time to think of every possible mistake you might make while you're winding up to hit. The tough part of the golf swing is that it must be a complete, rhythmic swing, but you may get an idea of some revision in it at the very last moment and that means a fatal jerk. Every golf shot requires complete concentration and absolute discipline of muscles.

There's another phase in which golf is tougher on the competitor than in baseball, says Byrd. In a ball-game, you've got your opposition where you can watch it all the time. You can play safe or gamble according to the circumstances. But in the closing rounds of a golf tournament, your chief contender may be nowhere in sight. While you try to give undivided attention to every shot, your nerves are frayed by hearing his gallery roar with excitement, causing you to wonder just what he's doing to you.

In conclusion, Byrd advises the would-be golfer: "If you do make the grade as a tournament golfer, it has its compensations. You can go on in top-flight for years after your legs would have given out in baseball. And a great golfer's earnings compare favorably with the best baseball contracts. And when you win a big tournament, it's all yours. You don't have any cuts to make. It's like winning a world series all by yourself. I'll say it's worth the effort."

## Favorites Win Opening Matches In Table Tennis

Opening rounds of the annual city table tennis championships saw some close matches with all the favorites advancing.

Wilmore Browne-Cave, top seeded in the men's singles, defeated Keith Olson, junior star, after dropping the first set. Scores were 19-21, 21-15, 21-18. T. Taylor and H. Lowe won the other matches in the singles. Lone match in the women's singles resulted in a victory for Nancy Ley over Val McIvor, 21-15, 16-21, 21-19.

Junior singles saw defending champion Johnny Kirchner defeat Leacock after four sets, 21-19, 17-21, 21-10, 22-20. Play will continue tonight and Friday with the finals scheduled Saturday evening.

Results follow:

**WOMEN'S SINGLES**  
N. Ley defeated V. McIvor, 21-15, 16-21, 21-19.

**OPEN SINGLES**  
Browne-Cave defeated Olson, 19-21, 21-15, 21-18.  
T. Taylor defeated Cpl. Clarke (Army), 21-14, 21-14, 21-12.  
H. Lowe defeated Sgt. Daly (Army), 21-11, 21-16, 21-11.

**SENIOR SINGLES**  
Taylor defeated S. Ngai, 19-21, 21-18, 21-21, 25-21, 21-15.  
McIvor defeated Kirchner, 21-17, 21-19, 21-21.

**JUNIOR SINGLES**  
Frost defeated Sgt. Daly, 21-16, 22-20, 21-15.  
Sjoberg defeated Cpl. Clarke, 21-13, 21-16, 21-16.

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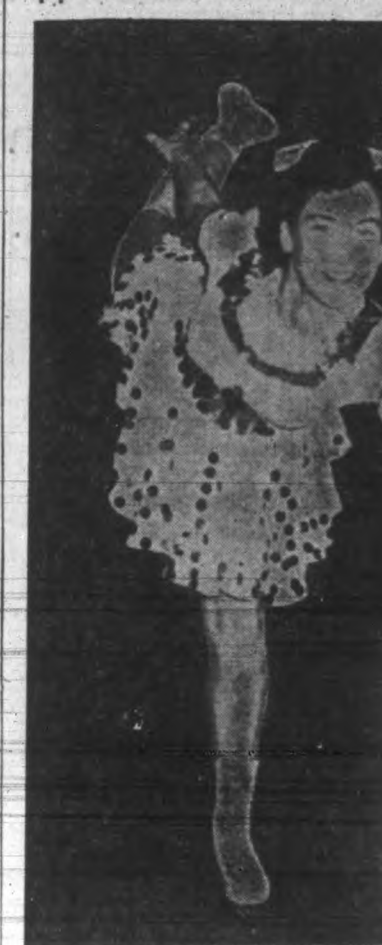
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## Appears On Ice Carnival



SHIRLEY MARTIN.

holder of the senior singles and co-holder of the senior pairs championships of Calgary, who will be one of the featured performers on the second annual ice carnival of the Victoria Figure Skating Club at the Willows Arena, Feb. 16 and 17. The program each night will start at 8:15. Miss Martin, a member of the R.C.A.F. (W.D.), was a member of the 1942-43 Canadian national team. She was defeated by Mrs. Christine Newson Charles, Canadian gold medalist and former professional at St. Paul.

## Record Entry for Empress Golf

### Over 200 At Present

With entries pouring in from all parts of the Pacific Northwest and prairies, officials in charge of the 16th annual Empress golf tournament at the Victoria Club, March 6 to 11, are forecasting a record number of competitors. At the present time 200 entry forms have already been received, and the opening date of the affair is over three weeks away.

An especially heavy entry has been received from Seattle, and includes such famous name players as Ralph Whaley, Harry Givan and Lee Steil.

Main competitions are for the Sir Edward Beatty, Chamber of Commerce and Rotary Cups, usually won by leading amateurs. But the more than 50 prizes for scratch and handicap play give the duffer a souvenir of the event.

Entries received to date include: Seattle—Harry L. Givan, Ralph Steil, Whaley, Lee Steil, Mrs. J. C. Baldwin, Mrs. Frank Campbell, Mrs. Melville McRae, Miss Sophie A. Frank, Paul F. Ganser, Gerry McManis, Mr. and Mrs. George Parsons, Mr. and Mrs. Forest.

Three other B.C. players are Dr. B. Hanes, Vernon, Mr. L. C. Blum, Lady Swenson, P. Zapp and W. Dafford.

Vancouver has about 15 reservations in addition to 40 reservations for golfers of the Point Grey Golf and Country Club, the last including Mr. L. and Mrs. E. W. Hopkins, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Nasmyth, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Desbriars, Mr. and Mrs. O. Erickson, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Morrison, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Mahood and Allison Bishop and party of three.

Victoria—Dr. and Mrs. R. J. Potts, Dr. L. Williamson, Dr. D. S. Leitch, H. Campbell and Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Chapman.

Langford—Alta—O. T. Jackson, Regina—Dr. and Mrs. E. N. Reid, Dr. J. L. Brown, Dr. H. J. Kennedy, Dr. C. C. McIvor, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wilson and Joe St. Mary.

Winnipeg—J. B. Faulkner and daughter, V. E. Patton, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Moore, Glen Bond, Mrs. J. C. Wilson and Joe St. Mary.

**Larkin Easy Fight Winner Smashes Costantino**

NEW YORK (AP)—The New York State Athletic Commission has started a boxing innovation that soon may become a universal practice—that of announcing from the ring how each judge voted.

The idea was tried out last night in Madison Square Garden at the Tippy Larkin-Lulu Costantino 10-rounder which Larkin, a 13 to 5 favorite, won easily. After announcing George Kobb had reeled off over the public address system how each official voted, everyone asked his neighbor how he liked it.

It was the general opinion among ringsters that it was a good thing. Several pointed out that each official, knowing his vote would be publicly announced from the ring, would tend to be extra careful. There were some doubtful persons who asserted that the public announcement of the votes after a very close fight, for instance, might bring verbal abuse against the officials.

Gen. John Phelan, chairman of the commission, and promoter Mike Jacobs asserted that the

## Oak Bay High Wins School Rugby Clash

McKenzie's try, with about a minute of playing time remaining, gave Oak Bay High a thrilling 6 to 3 victory over Victoria High in their Intermediate League rugby match Wednesday afternoon, before around 400 cheering students.

It marked the third straight victory for the Bays, and boosted them into undisputed possession of first place.

After a scoreless first half, Victoria High took a 3 to 0 lead on Scott's penalty goal. Oak Bay deadlocked the score when Wells kicked a penalty goal. Teams battled hard for the winning points. With time drawing near the Bays hooked the ball from a scrum near the Victoria goal, and halfback Wells passed to McKenzie on the blind side, and he romped over without opposition.

Dan Doswell refereed.

## VICTORIA HIGH ACTIVITIES

Marching routines and high baton twirling were displayed by the Victoria High drum majorettes at a noon hour concert Wednesday, in the school auditorium. The "pep meeting" was to arouse enthusiasm for the rugby game. A practice of school cheers and songs was led by the cheer leaders: Nera Clarke, Evalind Hunter, Bill Dempsey and Bill Macdonald. Humor was provided by Peter Olsen and Eric Gee.

A humorous skit, entitled "Murder at Mother's," was presented. The bar-room quartette sang the old song, "Grannie."

The organizers of the meeting were well rewarded for their efforts, as many students turned out to cheer the team. The drum majorettes performed on the field at half time in their snappy red and white uniforms.

Co-Ed dance of this year was at Friday, which was a great success.

All students are working hard to make the Red Cross circus a success. It will be held Feb. 18 and 19. It is hoped \$1,500 will be raised.

## R.A.F. Defeats Army; Will Meet Boeings

R.A.F. eleven continued its merry way to the city first division soccer championship, Wednesday afternoon, with a 6 to 3 triumph over a hard-fighting Army club. Brummy, outside right, was the scoring star in the win of the British airmen, pulling off the hat-trick in the second half.

First half play saw the Army hold the league leaders to a 2 to 2 score. Sinclair opened the scoring for the Army with Davidson putting the R.A.F. back on even terms. Each club scored a penalty goal before the interval to leave the clubs still in a dead-lock.

Army managed to regain the lead in the second half on a goal by Doug Peden—but were unfortunate in losing that player's services shortly after through injury. Forced to play with only 10 men the Army wilted and Brummy raced through for three straight goals to give his club another win to its long string of successes.

It was announced yesterday that Vancouver Boeings, one of the crack teams of the Mainland League, will be here Saturday, February 26, for an intercity match against the R.A.F.

## Minor Hockey

Officials of the Victoria Minor Hockey Association announced today that midget and juvenile players must have their birth certificates turned in to the local registrar, Ivan Temple—not later than Sunday.

## N.H.L. Clubs Promise Merry Playoff Scrap

### Alcos Score Playoff Basketball Victory

Holding their opponents to two free throws in the first half, Alcos defeated the Red Hots 21 to 15 in the first game of the city senior B men's basketball playoff Wednesday night. Second clash of the best of three series will be played Saturday night as a preliminary to the Inter-City League tilt between R.C.A.F. Gremlins and Varsity.

Alcos Red Hots affair was one of the tightest checking games seen this season. Alcos moved into a 7 to 1 lead in the first quarter and were out in front 13 to 2 at halftime.

St. Louis College defeated the Combines 28 to 23 to eliminate them from the intermediate B series. In the women's game, Units beat the Rookies 23 to 21.

K.V.'s defeated the St. Louis College 12 to 8 in a midweek game and 34 to 15 in a junior tilt to capture the city championship in these divisions.

Red Hots—Patterson 4, Perkins 4, Bell, Bryant 4, Dunsmuir 2, Kenney 2, Taylor 2, James, Credit 4, Couch. St. Louis College—Clarkson 4, French 3, O'Connell 1, Gray 2, Hynok 11, Cairnie, Thompson 2.

Combines—Scott 2, Winter 4, Aitken, Blang 12, Morris, Gill, Galder. Units—Crosby 4, Bourke 6, Day 2, Longstaff 2, Loudoun 2, Simpson, Barry 2, Rookies—Lee, McAllister 1, Menion, Milken 1, Kennedy 14, Coates, Lalachur 3, Levin 2, Dillor.

K.V.'s (Midgets)—McKinnon 3, A. Mar, Lockett 2, Burnett, John 1, Griffin, Minnie 6, P. Mac. St. Louis College—Cavin 2, Clarkson, Player, Gibbons, Millman, Crosby 4, O'Brien, Lamont, Lamont.

K.V.'s (Juniors)—Eastman 10, Ellis 2, Tooby 2, Browning 3, Pae 11, Burton. St. Louis College—Clarkson, O'Neill 6, K.V.'s (Juniors)—Eastman 10, Ellis 2, Tooby 2, Browning 3, Pae 11, Burton.

## Leaves for Coast

CALGARY (CP)—Dave Sweeney Schriener, star left winger, will not be with H.M.C.S. Tecumseh when they set out in a game against the Red Deer, Thursday night. Schriener left for Vancouver Wednesday, stating before his departure that he would return next week. His loss is a double blow to the Navy, as R.C.A.F. restrictions prevent air force linking up with the team for this game, which will place the winner in sole possession of first place in the Central Alberta Garrison Hockey League.

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From the address of Robert P. Jellitt, President

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Revenue			\$2,794,846
Charges	\$2,127,379		
Profit		667,467	
Taxes	263,773		
Net Profit		403,694	
Dividends	320,000		
Pension Fund (Spec'l Pay't)	30,000		
Surplus		53,694	

Liquid Resources	\$17,624,615	Liabilities	\$12,775,887
Other Resources	2,210,475	Capital and Surplus	7,059,203
	\$19,835,090		\$19,835,090

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From the address of Ross Clarkson, General Manager

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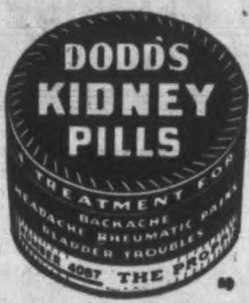
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### Government to Consider Wage Order Criticism

WELLAND, Ont. (CP)—Federal Labor Minister Humphrey Mitchell in a speech to a Liberal gathering here Wednesday said the government is prepared to consider criticisms of the new federal wages control order and to go as far as it can to meet such criticisms.

He said the proposed family allowances mentioned in the Speech from the Throne at the opening of Parliament should be in operation before the end of the war.

## Uncle Ray

AFRICAN FROGS SOMETIMES REACH TOTAL LENGTH OF TWO FEET

Of all the frogs on this continent, the bullfrog is the largest. One bullfrog may be as heavy as three or four common frogs together.

Very large bullfrogs have a body length of seven or eight inches. Counting the long hind legs, the total length may be from 14 to 16 inches. Bullfrogs are good jumpers. Often they can jump one foot for

each inch in the length of their bodies, not counting legs. Champion jumpers do better than that, making leaps of 9 or 10 feet. When jumping, or hopping, a bullfrog may rise from three to five feet above the ground.

There is a story about an Indian runner who believed that he could beat a bullfrog in a 40-yard dash to the edge of the pond where the frog lived. The owner of the frog, we are told, touched it with a stick which had been taken from a fire and which had a glowing end. The frog made such hops to get to the pond that it won the race without trouble.

It was hardly fair to touch the frog with the hot stick and was not "kindness to animals." Yet the story, if true, shows a fine

jumping power on the part of that bullfrog!

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STARS ABOVE! IT'S MAJOR HOOPLE!—WELL! I SUPPOSE YOU'RE GOING TO TELL ME YOU'RE TRYING TO JOIN THE WAVES—HMP! SECOND CHILDHOOD!

EMBARRASSING, ISN'T IT?

**OUT OUR WAY**

OH US? WHY WE'VE JUST COME BACK FROM TAKING A LOT OF ISLANDS!

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**MR. AND MRS.**

I DREW A WRONG CONCLUSION WHEN I SAW CAPTAIN EASY'S PICTURE IN WEBB'S HOUSE! I THOUGHT THE AMERICAN COULD WIN HIS SUPPORT FOR THE ALLIED CAUSE.

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I SHOULD HAVE KNOWN BETTER! WEBB HIMSELF IS A HERO TO HIS PEOPLE... WHY SHOULD HE BE A HERO WORTHIER I'VE MESSED IT, COLONEL!

I ACCEPT THE BLAME FOR EVERYTHING! IT WAS MY SILLY IDEA!

WAIT A MINUTE, MAJOR! WE STILL HAVE A CHANCE!

WEBB DOTES ON SELANGA! COULDN'T SHE BECOME... INTERESTED IN THIS AMERICAN? WE MIGHT SWING WEBB THROUGH HIS NIECE!

A MILITARY GIGOLO? BY JOVE, COLONEL, IT MIGHT WORK!

**BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES**

PROF. TUTT, I REPRESENT THE HURRAH HILL RESIDENTIAL ASSOCIATION! I REGRET THAT WE MUST PROTEST RECENT OCCURRENCES.

FIRST, THERE IS THE RURAL CHARACTER PROWLING THE NEIGHBORHOOD WITH A DEADLY WEAPON! TODAY HE EVEN SHOT AT MY PIGEONS!

AND LAST NIGHT THERE WAS A PITCHED BATTLE YOUR FRONT YARD! SCARED US HALF TO DEATH!

NOW THE POINT IS DO YOU WANT TO SELL YOUR HOME—OR BUY OURS?

**FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS**

WHY THE SOUR PAM, PAL?

I SERENADED JUNE UNDER HER WINDOW IN MY BEST HAL KROONER STYLE!

WHAT HAPPENED?

HER FATHER—GO AWAY, KITTY—GO AWAY—AND THEN HE HIT ME WITH THIS!

NO HARM IN ASKING—IS THERE? HOW LONG HAVE WE BEEN MARRIED THAT YOU SHOULD ASK SUCH A FOOLISH QUESTION?

WELL—GOSH—DON'T YOU EVER TAKE CREAM WITH YOUR COFFEE? IT JUST GOES TO SHOW HOW LITTLE I MEAN IN YOUR LIFE. I HAVEN'T TAKEN CREAM IN YEARS.

**ALLEY OOP**

SO THAT'S IT! YOU GOLIATH WANT TO TAKE OVER M.O.—YEAH, TO BE SURE YOU WIN, YOU WHITTLE DOWN THE POPULATION BY WHOLESALE KIDNAPING. CLEVER!!

AVRRIGHT, LET'S GET BACK TO HEADQUARTERS—YOU CARRY THE PRISONER!

OW! MY GOSH, IF WE'RE TAKIN' YOU BACK AS A PRISONER, YOU GOTTA LOOK LIKE SOMETHING! NOT MONKEY WITH MY FEET! I CAN WALK!

YOU LUGS! KEEP YOUR PAWS OFF ME! THERE'S NOTHING WRONG! I'M A PRISONER, FIB! PEESES! SAME!

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DADGUMMIT! WHY DON'T WE OBEY ORDERS ANY MORE? NOT MONKEY DANCES!

**THAT'S FUNNY—I TRIED THE SAME THING AT MILDY'S!**

DO MR. CRIBBLE HIT YOU WITH A SHOE?

YEAH! AND HE DON'T EVEN BOTHER TO TAKE IT OFF!

**YOU LUGS! KEEP YOUR PAWS OFF ME! THERE'S NOTHING WRONG! I'M A PRISONER, FIB! PEESES! SAME!**

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## Record Freighter, Frigate Launched

Two ships, one for the Canadian navy and the other for the merchant navy, were launched here this afternoon at 3.

H.M.C.S. Antigonish, a sleek frigate, went into the water from Yarrow's after being christened by Mrs. E. W. Izard, wife of the general manager of the yard. Mrs. Izard has three sons in the navy, Lt. (E) T. D. Izard, R.C.N., and Pay Sub-Lt. A. P. Izard, R.C.N., both of whom are overseas, and Lt. J. A. W. Izard, R.C.N.V.R., who is stationed at Sydney, N.S. Mrs. Izard acted as sponsor at the request of the department heads and foremen of Yarrow's.

The Antigonish is named after the old town of Antigonish, N.S., which was established in 1764. The ship was blessed by the usual padre, Rev. John Furlong, senior Protestant chaplain, and Rev. Father A. B. Wood, senior Roman Catholic chaplain.

The merchant ship launched at the V.M.D. was the Greenwood Park. Her sponsor was Mrs. R. W. McMurray, wife of Capt. McMurray, manager of the B.C. Coast Service (C.P.R.). The Greenwood Park is the last of the tankers to be built at this yard and was the heaviest merchantman ever sent down the ways at a Canadian yard. Her construction was very far advanced and she will not take so long at the outfitting berths.

Thieves Wednesday night smashed a window in the door of the Vancouver Barge Transportation Ltd. building, ransacked the office but left the safe untouched. A clock and hot plate were among the articles taken.

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## With Our Servicemen



Sgt. A. R. Lamothe (left) and P.O. R. T. Merrick, who graduated recently at No. 7 S.F.T.S., MacLeod, as pilots. They are spending two weeks' leave with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Lamothe, 3070 Albany Road, and Mr. and Mrs. T. N. Merrick, 627 Kaynor Avenue, after which they expect to go to flying instructors' school.

for several years before enlisting in the air force.

The Norton family, 1117 Hillside Avenue, has three sons in the army.

Pte. Thomas A. Norton, 19, had just left Tillicum School when he joined the Canadian Scottish Regiment three years ago. Pte. John Phillip Norton, 21, joined the R.C.A.S.C. in October, 1942, previously being a driver for Clark & Crockett. Gnr. W. J. (Bill) Norton, R.C.A.C., 23, was logging up-island before enlistment. All were born and educated here. W. V. Norton, their father, a veteran of the First World War in which he served in the 68th Battalion, is a painter at Yarrow's Ltd. Mrs. Norton works eight hours daily in the Yarrow's canteen. Their daughter, Eileen, 18, works at V.M.D., and Florence, 24, at Yarrow's.

Wing Cmdr. William Poupore has been promoted to this rank in England, according to word received by his wife who lives at 1035 Fairfield Road.

Joining the R.C.A.F. four years ago, Wing Cmdr. Poupore was stationed at Patricia Bay, then was Western Air Command commandant from October, 1942, until the command was transferred to Vancouver early last year. He left Group 2 headquarters here for overseas last July. Wing Cmdr. and Mrs. Poupore's son, Gordon, transferred from the army to R.C.A.F. air crew last month, and is at Edmonton. Another son, P.O. Bill Poupore, was killed in air action in October, 1942.

Sgt. W. H. "Bill" Ketcham, R.C.A.F., whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Ketcham live at North Bend, B.C., has arrived overseas. "Bill" is well known here, having attended Victoria High School.

## Gas 'Racketeers' Reported Active

Black market dealers are "more active than usual," at the present time with an increased circulation of loose gasoline coupons, C. W. Brazier British Columbia enforcement counsel for the Wartime Prices and Trade Board said today, while on a visit to Victoria from his headquarters in Vancouver.

"At most times rental and price infractions are more frequent," he said, but added that "there was no evidence in this province of forged ration books or coupons."

"It wouldn't pay racketeers to deal in black market food coupons, since ratios of most foods are quite satisfactory," Mr. Brazier said. "We feel we are doing a perfect job if we do not have to prosecute anybody. People are pretty honest; sometimes they just don't realize how serious infractions of W.P.T.B. orders or controllers' regulations can be."

He explained that is branch of the government tried to serve the public by education, and that the keystone of their work was co-operation. On the basis of population, he said, offences in Victoria were on a par with other cities of Canada.

## Date Book

Bingo and movies, among the latter the well-known "Thirty-nine Steps," along with the usual number of dances make up a variety of entertainment at Victoria canteens over the week-end. Following is the program:

**Thursday**  
Three Services Centre—Movies, 8.  
Victoria Hostess Club—Dance, Charlie Hunt's orchestra, 8.30.  
Knights of Columbus Hut—Movies with news, 7.30.  
Prince Rupert House—Bingo, 8.  
Y.M.C.A. Hut, Macaulay—Movies, 7.

## Municipalities Ask Hart Interview On B.C.E.R. Issue

Opinion Mayor J. W. Cornett, Vancouver, will be able to arrange a meeting between municipal representatives and Premier John Hart next week on the B.C. Electric Railway Company Ltd. issue was voiced by Mayor Andrew McGavin today on his return from the Vancouver meeting of mayors and reeves considering the question.

Mayor Cornett will see the Premier Friday evening, Mayor McGavin said, and will make arrangements then for the interview. Mayor Cornett is chairman of the committee appointed by Wednesday's meeting to seek information. Other members include Mayor McGavin, Mayor A. M. Mott, New Westminster; Mayor T. C. Hamilton, Port Alberni; Ald. C. Jones, Vancouver; A. Field, W. Vancouver, a representative to be appointed by the Fraser Valley Reeves' Association.

During discussions, Mayor McGavin said, the proposal to pipe natural gas from Alberta was discussed, with favor given that plan on the grounds it would provide cheaper fuel and greater heat.

### QUESTIONS POSED

Some of the questions posed by F.L. Shaw, Victoria city solicitor; Prof. E. S. Farr, Victoria expert, and C. E. Brakenridge, Vancouver city engineer, were:

1. Would the province or the municipalities be responsible of would there be joint partnership?
2. Would the government establish a hydro-electric commission to produce and generate the power, the municipalities handling distribution?
3. Would the province pass legislation to compel the B.C. Electric to give free access to its books, assets, holdings, etc., for investigation by a committee of experts?
4. What would be the major basis for price fixing? Would it be based mainly on earning power, which has increased greatly since the war and might be expected to decrease in peacetime? Would it take into consideration the large part of the equipment which would be "dead and obsolete" in a short space of time?
5. How would the municipalities group themselves, as one complete municipal partnership or divided into geographical areas, as the lower mainland and the south end of Vancouver Island?
6. Is there any possibility of developing power in the Fraser River, in a project similar to Coulee Dam, which would open up additional land by irrigation?
7. Should municipalities burden themselves with gas companies which in some areas are supported by the electric earnings?
8. Can municipalities take over the interurban systems without also acquiring other privately-operated methods of transportation such as bus lines which would be in competition?
9. Are municipalities primarily interested in acquiring public light and power as a means of supplying efficient service at the lowest possible rates or do they look upon the acquisition as a profit-making venture which would result in the lowering of taxes?
10. Does there exist in the lower mainland any further means of expanding the service by water power, or is steam-generation cheaper and more effective?
11. Is it possible to acquire the B.C. Electric holdings at a price reasonable enough to allow expansion and to provide efficient service at reasonable rates?

## Legislative Notes

Rev. Dr. A. E. Whitehouse, pastor of Metropolitan United Church, said prayers at the opening of the House today. Rev. George Biddle, pastor of St. John's Church and president of the Men's Canadian Club, officiated on Wednesday.

There are 3,942 patients in B.C.'s mental institutions, Provincial Secretary George Pearson informs E. E. Winch, C.C.F., Burnaby, in reply to a question on the order papers. Of this total 2,384 are men and 1,558 women.

R. C. Macdonald, Conservative Coalition, Dewdney, asks the Premier, on the order paper, the total cost of operating the Public Utilities Commission as a whole since its inception to the present time.

Members of the House of Commons who have called for withdrawal of the recent Wartime Wage Control Order, have been wired congratulations by the Victoria local, Boilermakers and Iron Shipbuilders' Union, it was learned here.

A permit for a \$2,500 boat building shed for Armstrong Bros., at 512 Montreal Street, was issued by the city building inspector's department today.

## Legion Head Calls for Better Deal In Re-establishing New Veterans



Veterans of last war hear their leader call for "simple justice for all who have served" in this war.

Demand for immediate attention to the rehabilitation problem in Canada was made by Alex. Walker, C.B.E., Dominion president of the Canadian Legion, before a large gathering of legion members and serving men and women at a meeting in the Crystal Garden on Wednesday.

The services should not be let down this time as they were in the last war when men were lauded as heroes when they left and turned down as unwanted when they returned, he said.

The Legion has been fighting for improvements in present legislation with not sufficient success, Mr. Walker said. He felt sure the people of Canada would support the Legion in its attempts to better the treatment that is at present being given to returned men.

### WORK OF LEGION

He commended the Legion for the work in improving conditions up to date, enumerating the services afforded the men so far during the war, including the fine work done for prisoners of war. He praised, too, the work done by the Legion in handling the domestic and financial difficulties of the troops and their families.

He said that 150,000 of the armed forces had taken, or are taking educational courses, to better fit themselves for life at the end of hostilities. Here he paid tribute to the work done by Sir Robert England in the educational services.

This brought him to the problem of reconstruction generally, and he asserted that this time should be used to prepare actively for rehabilitation.

"We have said that it would be both foolish and dangerous to count on early victory, whether in Europe or Asia, but that it would be just as foolish and equally dangerous not to be ready for an early peace, should the war end sooner than our government may expect," Mr. Walker said.

During the last war, he said, while soldiers, sailors and airmen had been winning battles, their civilian leaders at home had failed to prepare for peace, and that was why the Legion had constantly urged the government and the leaders in commerce and industry to plan now, so that the country shall not again be caught unprepared, and so the men and women of the present forces should not be let down as were the veterans of the last war.

### LEGION PRESENTED BRIEF

On several occasions since the outbreak of war, said Mr. Walker, the Legion had made representation to the federal government, and on July 1, 1943, presented the Legion's official brief on postwar reconstruction and re-establishment to its parliamentary committee.

He said that the present post-discharge re-establishment order established the period of adjustment after discharge as one year, but that the Legion felt that this time limit might have to be extended if general conditions should make it impossible for discharged men to become established in civil life in that time. He claimed, too, that women in the services should have the same allowances and pensions as men as their costs of living as civilians would be as great as those of the men.

In the Legion's brief, Mr. Walker said, there were many suggestions and specific recommendations as to how rehabilitation should be carried out in practice.

He noted that a great many of the Legion's recommendations had been incorporated in the reports submitted to Parliament by the House of Commons on postwar reconstruction and re-establishment, and said that the value of the reconstruction committee's reports would be greatly diminished if they were not acted upon by the government, or if action were delayed too long.

### LEGISLATION NEEDED NOW

Mr. Walker urged the government to bring the necessary legislation down early this session, so that the funds necessary for surveying and starting many of the projects recommended by the committee might be voted by Parliament and the preliminary work got under way, pointing out the heartening effect such action



ALEX. WALKER  
Dominion President, Canadian Legion... Demands immediate plan and funds for rehabilitation.

would have on the morale of the fighting men overseas.

He stressed the "value" of the work of the Canadian Legion to the servicemen, and mentioned the booklet, "Rehabilitation of Canada's Fighting Men," which contained the complete text of the Legion's recommendations to Parliament.

Mr. Walker expressed his pleasure that the government had seen fit to adopt the Legion's proposal for the establishment of a department of veterans' affairs to look after the interests of ex-servicemen and women, and to direct and co-ordinate all the activities pertaining to their rehabilitation, instead of having these handled by no less than three departments, namely the Department of Pensions and National Health, the Department of Labor and the Department of Mines and Resources.

He ended with the hope for continued and increasing strength that would enable the Legion to gain from the government what it wished for the people, and said if people would think a little more in terms of human values than bank balances, there would be a happier and better world.

Robert Knight, zone representative, was chairman. Mr. Walker was welcomed by Ald. Lloyd Morgan on behalf of the city. Sharing the platform were Peter G. Barr, vice-president of the district council; Joseph Wittcomb, member of the Legion's Dominion executive, and W. G. Stone, honorary secretary-treasurer of the Provincial Command.

## Apples, Onions Short

Quantities of new vegetables from California, a plentiful supply of oranges and grapefruit but a scarcity of apples and onions, marked the scene down wholesale row today, according to one Yates Street wholesaler.

"We are short of Okanagan apples and February and March are the months carrying the biggest demand," he said. "We have just had a car of Texas grapefruit in and also Coachella grapefruit from California."

"The supply of oranges is plentiful but another week should see the last of the grapes and pears on the market."

Hot house rhubarb from Vancouver which has been on the market for about three weeks, is short at the moment, as it is in between first and second crops, the wholesaler said. The price is expected to take a slight increase.

California new cabbage is on the market but Mexican field tomatoes are short and will be short for about 10 days, he continued. Cauliflower, bunch carrots, lettuce and celery are arriving regularly from California.

## Astronomers Hear Dr. Kenneth Wright

Dr. Kenneth O. Wright of the Dominion Astrophysical Observatory addressed the Victoria Centre, Royal Astronomical Society of Canada, on "The Earth, Past, Present and Future," at a meeting in Victoria College, Wednesday evening.

Dr. Wright, who is lecturing at the University of British Columbia, discussed various new theories and described the earth from its origin. Mark Trueman was chairman.

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## Rehabilitation Expenses \$19,203

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council, who visited all parts of B.C., amounted to \$11,369.

Traveling expenses are broken down as follows:

W. A. C. Bennett, \$926; Mrs. Nancy Hodges, \$284; E. T. Kenney, \$638; C. Grant MacNeill, \$714; J. A. Paton, \$875; Hon. H. S. T. Perry, chairman, \$862; Miss M. E. Rickaby, secretary, \$1,117; Mrs. Tilly Rolston, \$308; Mrs. Dorothy Steeves, \$283; W. T. Strath, \$103, and H. E. Winch, \$796.

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13	6:45	3:05	7:12:55.5	7:43:39.4			
14	6:52	3:07	7:20:18.6	7:43:39.4			
15	6:59	3:09	7:27:42.1	7:43:39.4			
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17	7:13	3:13	7:42:28.3	7:43:39.4			
18	7:20	3:15	7:49:51.4	7:43:39.4			
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An outstanding buy. Situated on Richmond Road, close to Fort Street. Six-room home; 3 bedrooms down and 3 up. Upstairs can easily be made into a suite and some work has been done. Complete new piping and plumbing with Pembroke bath. Good garden with fruit trees. Attractive terms at

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Good family home of 8 rooms. In quiet location near school and transportation. Large lot with excellent soil. Cash.

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## Full Bonus Vote Lifts School Budget Over 1943 Figure

Inclusion of an allowance to grant all school board employees a full cost of living bonus on the federal government scale has raised the city school board's net expenditure estimates \$9,631 above estimates for 1943 and helped to place them \$18,601 above actual expenditures last year, the school budget completed Wednesday night for submission to the City Council disclosed.

The cost of living bonus for which provision is made is \$19 a month for heads of households and \$9.50 a month for others, without any salary ceiling. The bonus effective in 1943 was \$15 for family heads and \$7.50 for single, with a ceiling of \$2,100 a year.

Costs of the proposed bonus this year are listed at \$49,242, a figure \$16,220 above the \$24,022 granted in bonuses in 1943.

Gross expenditure estimates for 1944 amount to \$592,860, which is \$15,971 above the \$576,889 estimate last year.

Anticipated revenue is boosted \$6,341 to \$134,780 against last year's estimate of \$128,439. The amount is increased in anticipation of higher collection of coke and non-resident fees and by allocating to this year's budget an unspent balance from 1943 of \$2,800.

The net estimates for ordinary expenses show the amount to be raised by taxation this year to be \$458,080 against \$448,449 last year.

In addition to ordinary estimates, the trustees listed \$1,560 in the extraordinary vote for further work on the new technical unit at Victoria High School.

## Rags Ragland in 'Whistling' Movie

When he appeared in "Whistling in Dixie," "Rags" Ragland played a dual role. In his current cinema chore, M-G-M's "Whistling in Brooklyn," starring Red Skelton with Ann Rutherford and Jean Rogers, coming to the Dominion Theatre tomorrow, "Rags" role has been cut in half. "Rags" is cast as Chester, a lion-hearted, muddle-headed chauffeur who appoints himself the press agent of Red Skelton, again playing "The Fox," and involves the whole company in a series of hilarious adventures.

## 'This Land Is Mine' Playing at Cadet

How patriotism inspires a fear-ridden school master in a little European town to defy the Nazi invaders of his homeland, is the gripping theme of "This Land Is Mine," RKO Radio's new screen sensation, now at the Cadet Theatre. Charles Laughton, Maureen O'Hara, George Sanders, Walter Slezak and Una O'Connor head the cast of the Dudley Nichols-Jean Renoir production.

## OAK BAY AND PLAZA THEATRES

James Cagney finds himself in the enraged grip of Marjorie Main, night club proprietress, in the late scene from "Johnny Come Lately," the heartwarming drama currently at the Oak Bay and Plaza Theatres, through United Artists release. The Academy Award winner is appearing in the initial independent film produced for United Artists by his brother, William Cagney.

## Socks, chocolates and gum

were distributed to members for shipment overseas, at the annual meeting of the Salt Spring Island Knitting Club, Mrs. R. Young presiding. Election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mrs. Rose Young; vice-president, Mrs. H. A. Robinson; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. H. Johnson.

## Notice to Creditors

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all creditors and other persons having any claims or demands against the estate of Rosa Niven, deceased, late of the Municipality of Saanich, in the Province of British Columbia, who died intestate on or about the 6th day of January, 1944, at the Municipality of Saanich, Province of British Columbia, are hereby required to send by post prepaid full particulars in writing of their claims and demands, verified by Statutory Declaration, to the undersigned, on or before the 10th day of March, 1944: all parties who have any assets belonging to or who are indebted to the said deceased are required to forward particulars of same to me forthwith; and that the said Administrator will, after the last-mentioned date, proceed to distribute the assets of the said intestate among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims and demands of which he shall then have had notice.

AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that, pursuant to Section 28 of the "Trustee Act," the said Administrator will not be liable for the assets of the said intestate, or any part thereof so distributed, to any person or persons of whose claims and demands he shall not have had notice by the said date, or for the assets of the said intestate after the expiration of one year after the death of the said deceased.

DATED at Victoria, B.C., this 10th day of February, 1944.

R. L. COX, Official Administrator, County of Victoria; Administrator of the Estate of Rosa Niven, deceased; 519 Central Building, Victoria, British Columbia.

## Today's Crossword Puzzle

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## Song-Packed Hit Has Swing King

Sharing stellar honors with Alice Faye, Carmen Miranda and Phil Baker in 20th Century-Fox's new technicolor musical, "The Gang's All Here," which is slated to open Monday at the Capitol Theatre, is the king of swing—Benny Goodman and his orchestra.

Faye, Miranda and Goodman interpret the latest song hits by the top tunesmiths—Leo Robin and Harry Warren: "The Polka Dot Polka," "No Love, No Nothin'," "A Journey to a Star," "Faducuh," "The Lady in the Tutti Fruiti Hat," "You Discover You're in New York" and "Minnie's in the Money."

## ATLAS THEATRE

Roddy McDowall experienced his biggest thrill since going to Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer when, on his way to the studio commissary for lunch, he heard, "Hi, Roddy," shouted at him. The greeter was Mickey Rooney. It was the first meeting between the two. Mickey added his name to Roddy's fast-growing collection

## Where to Go Tonight

(As Advertised)

**ATLAS**—Roddy McDowall in "Lassie Come Home."

**CADET**—Charles Laughton in "This Land Is Mine."

**CAPITOL**—"Riding High," starring Dick Powell and Dorothy Lamour.

**DOMINION**—"In Old Oklahoma," starring John Wayne and Martha Scott.

**OAK BAY AND PLAZA**—William Cagney in "Johnny Come Lately."

**RIO**—"Riders of the Rio Grande," starring Bob Steele.

**YORK**—"Something to Shout About," starring Janet Blair and Don Ameche.

of autographs, then took the English boy to lunch, and they compared notes on how it feels to be a juvenile star in Hollywood. Later, they exchanged visits to their sets. Roddy going with Mickey to watch him in "The Human Comedy," and then Mickey reciprocating by witnessing a scene in "Lassie Come Home," which is currently at the Atlas Theatre.

## Janet Blair Back With New Triumph

Hot on the heels of her hilarious "My Sister Eileen," lovely Janet Blair returns to the York Theatre today in Columbia's tune-filled new Gregory Ratoff musical extravaganza, "Something to Shout About." Also starring Don Ameche and Jack Oakie, "Something to Shout About" features Broadway-famous William Gaxton, Cobina Wright Jr. and Hazel Scott, along with six grand new Cole Porter tunes. The songs are: "You'd Be So Nice to Come Home To," "I Always Knew," "Hasta Luego," "Lotus Bloom," "Something to Shout About," and "Through Thick and Thin."

## Problems of Youth Make Gay Comedy

George Abbott's gay comedy, "Kiss and Tell," by F. Hugh Herbert, and featuring Katherine Alexander, Jack Davis and June Dayton, will be present at the Royal Theatre, Feb. 15 and 16. This is Mr. Abbott's first non-musical production in this country for some time and ranks top place in high comedy value with "Boy Meets Girl," "Brother Rat," "Room Service" and "What a Life."

The action of the play revolves around adolescent Corlies Archer and her intelligent young suburban parents who are, however, baffled by the ease with which the younger generation falls in love, especially when the attractive young men of the community don uniforms of the armed forces. In her efforts to appear mature, Corlies' affections and loyalties lead her, her family and her friends into a succession of entanglements which fill three acts with hilarious entertainment. The action all takes place on the large porch of the Archer House, which is used as a playroom, and was designed by John Root.

## CAPITOL THEATRE

Victor Moore, the roly-poly little man with the disarming quaver in his voice celebrated 50 years in show business, with a starring appearance in Paramount's Technicolor musical comedy, "Riding High," now at the Capitol Theatre.

The genial actor who shares top billing with Dorothy Lamour and Dick Powell, amazes his colleagues—old-timers and newcomers alike—with the flawless sense of comedy timing which puts a punch in every Moore scene.

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"Tom Turk and Daffy" **DOMINION** Colored Cartoon

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CARTOON NEWS

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## Top-Notch Western Has Original Story

Republic has always had the reputation for producing western films that are top-ranking in their field, and certainly no exception to this rule is "Riders of the Rio Grande," the Three Mesquites action drama, which opens today at the Rio Theatre in the first of a three-day run. Boasting an outstanding cast, brilliant direction, and an original story plot with many a "surprise" twist, the picture is highly entertaining from start to finish.

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THEN

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6.30—Bob Burns—KOMO.  
7.00—Abbott and Costello—KOMO.  
7.30—March of Time—KOMO.  
8.30—Frank Morgan—KOMO.  
9.30—I Was There—KIRO.  
10.00—Town Meeting—KJR.

## Thursday Features

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# One Woman's Day...

By NANCY HODGES

## HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA

I SEEM TO BE DEVELOPING into a professional luncher-out. I have lunched with business men's clubs, with the Salvage Corps, with the Navy, and my latest invitation was to the Victoria High School cafeteria.

So there I went on Monday, arriving at the school a few minutes before noon.

Between you and me and the gatepost, I had hoped to lunch with the youngsters. So I was secretly disappointed when it was suggested that I eat my meal in the staff dining-room with the principal and teachers—most of whom are personal friends, by the way.

However, with my tray literally groaning with good things, I proceeded as directed, and the door closed behind me. But I soon was enlightened as to why it had been deemed advisable to segregate me with the staff.

## SOMETHING COOKIN'

A SOUND like the rushing of mighty waters told me that "something was cookin'" in the cafeteria. So, excusing myself from my adult companions, I went back to take a peep.

The din that met my ears as I opened the connecting door was deafening. Imagine if you can about 150 to 200 girls and about 125 boys, all chattering, laughing and eating at the same time. It reminded me of a huge cage of lively parrots!

But what most amazed me was the overcrowded condition of the lunchroom. Every bench beside the long tables was packed tightly with girls, yet dozens had to stand to eat.

Monday being a bright, sunny day, the crowd was not as large as usual. But in wet weather, the overcrowding is a serious problem, Principal Harry Smith told me. And I can well believe it.

## RUSH AT NOON

WHILE I WAS THERE, between 75 and 100 full-course hot meals were served. The rest of the youngsters brought their own sandwiches, and supplemented them with milk and dessert from the lunch counter.

As soon as 12 noon goes, the rush begins. For a few minutes Mrs. G. C. Bloomfield, who is in charge of the cafeteria, and her assistant, Mrs. L. Plant, and the six girl students who help them serve, dish out hot

soup, hot meat and vegetables, and pudding or ice cream with lightning speed to the hungry, clamoring crowd.

I am ashamed to confess that I ate a working man's portion of roast beef, with horseradish sauce, mashed turnips, mashed potatoes, roll and butter. This was preceded by Scotch broth and followed by "yummy" raspberry pie, which I chose in preference to rice pudding or ice cream.

## HOT AND DELICIOUS

EVERYTHING is prepared right on the spot by Mrs. Bloomfield and Mrs. Plant. At 8.30 a.m. they start their preparations. The food is cooked on the huge gas stove and has all the flavor and other attributes of first-class home cooking.

Great steam tables keep it hot so that, as the students pass along with their trays, they are assured of a nutritious meal, served piping hot, at nominal cost.

The little staff of three women, with the assistance of the six students who help serve and wipe the dishes, is also responsible for about 100 lunches daily for the Junior High School, which has not yet its own cafeteria.

The lunchroom at the Victoria High School was included in the original plan, but for some years it was run by an outside caterer.

As that arrangement did not prove satisfactory, the School Board in 1928 placed Mrs. T. H. Johns, then Miss Thelma Sippell, trained dietitian and home economics teacher, in charge.

THE EXPERIMENT proved an instant success under her efficient management, and the cafeteria has grown in popularity to such an extent that the present accommodation is proving altogether inadequate. It has outgrown its quarters.

Even to a casual observer like myself it was obvious that more space is urgently needed, together with new and additional equipment.

When you have a student body of 650 girls and 400 boys, all bubbling over with energy and, at meal times, as hungry as the proverbial hunter, it means a lot of wear and tear!

But I cannot imagine any better investment than a well-run, splendidly-managed cafeteria, providing well-balanced nutritious meals. It should pay big dividends in the shape of a healthy—yes and happy—student body and as such should be encouraged and backed up to the fullest possible extent.

# Merriman Round-up...

In a musical competition in

Victoria four years ago, Arthur

Benjamin, outstanding British

musician now living in Vancouver,

was attracted by the piano

playing of Lamar Crowson, who

won both Beethoven and Bach

championships. Now Lamar will

be soloist when Benjamin directs

the CBR symphony next week

... While we are glowing about

the rainy weather, Dean Cecil

Swanson says it may be a con-

tributing factor in B.C.'s high di-

vide rate. Life is easier on the

Pacific coast, he says. Where the

weather is mild there is an accom-

panying softening of the

moral fibres... The Dean thinks

the courts have no right to dis-

solve a church wedding. It makes

hypocrisy out of the sentence

"Until death do us part." Might

as well read "Until I get tired of

you and you get tired of me."

... First split in the unity wet-

crans of two wars hoped for ap-

pears to have been started in

Vancouver. Victoria soldier who

is back from Shagnessy says he

was canvassed for membership

and told there were 200

members.

## License Rebate

## Moves in House

Rebate on motor license fees

is expected to pass third

and final reading in the Legislature

today. As soon as the Lieut.

Governor assents to its passage

it will become law.

The bill went through second

reading in the House on Wednes-

day and will be discussed in com-

mittee today. It provoked little

debate. Arthur Turner, C.C.F.,

Vancouver-East objected on the

grounds that persons who can

afford the highest priced cars

get the greatest rebate, 75, while

the man who can afford only a

cheap car gets only \$2.40. He

thought the rebate should be

based on the gasoline category.

Premier Hart said the Auto-

mobile Club of B.C. has expressed

satisfaction at the government's

action. The government, he said,

had considered suggestions the

rebate be based on gas ratings,

but had not considered this ad-

visable.

The bill contains a clause which

will permit license plates to be

made of material other than

metal, should there be a metal

shortage.

# Many New Firms

# B.C. Incorporated

Two new Vancouver Island

logging companies and a big min-

ing company registered in Vic-

toria are among many incorpo-

ration of new companies under the

Companies Act at the Parliament

Buildings this week.

Incorporations follow: Bow-

man Construction Co. Ltd., \$25,

000, Vancouver; Atkins Stage

Lines Ltd., \$50,000; Chittiwack;

China Agencies Ltd., \$10,000, Van-

couver; Valley Securities Ltd.,

\$15,000, Mission; Rotary Pie

Service Ltd., \$10,000, Vancouver;

George Bailey Ltd., \$10,000, Van-

couver; Rat Portage Heating and

Sheet Metal Works Ltd., \$10,000,

Vancouver; Thomas McMeekin

and Sons Ltd., \$25,000, Prince

Rupert; Jeffre and Jeffre (Vic-

toria) Limited, \$50,000, Vancou-

ver; Beach Farms Ltd., \$15,000,

Vancouver; Fowler Manufac-

turing Co. (B.C.) Limited, \$50,000,

Vancouver; Trio Lumber Co.

Ltd., \$10,000, Port Alberni; Mar-

time Supply Co. Ltd., \$10,000,

Vancouver; Marine Oil Distribu-

tors Ltd., \$10,000, Vancouver;

Collins Pacific Limited (N.P.L.),

\$200,000, 208 Pemberton Build-

ing, Victoria; Baine Logging Co.

Ltd., \$10,000, Duncan; Elfra Ltd.,

\$10,000; George Moore Invest-

ments Ltd., 100 shares N.P.V.,

Vancouver; Denman Island Ferry

Ltd., \$20,000, Courtenay; Cres-

cent Mining Co. Ltd. (N.P.L.),

\$10,000, Creston.

## Upper Canada Grads

## Meet Here Feb. 16

Upper Canada College Old

Boys' Association will hold a

dinner in Toronto on Founder's

Day, Feb. 16, and where it is not

possible to hold a dinner at other

points throughout the country, it

is desired that Old Boys should

# New York Stocks

NEW YORK (AP)—Favorites on today's market showed gains of fractions to a point or so near the close.

Better performers included Santa Fe, Texas and Pacific, Southern Railway, Baltimore and Ohio, Southern Pacific, Erie, Chrysler, Du Pont, International Harvester, Westinghouse and United Aircraft. Backward were Bethlehem, General Electric, Johns-Manville, American Can, Anaconda and International Nickel.

(By H. A. Humber Ltd.)

Dow Jones averages closed

as follows:

30 Industrials 135.55, up 0.52

20 rails 37.39, up 1.01

15 utilities 22.66, up 0.18

Total sales, 860,080 shares.

Closing Bid Asked

American Can 143-4

American Tobacco 82-6

American Steel 157-3

Anaconda Copper 25-3

Armstrong 80-1

Baldwin Locomotive 17-4

Bendix Aviation 23-7

Boeing Aircraft 14-2

Boeing 28-9

Cerro de Pasco 71-4

Chrysler 46-2

Columbia Gas 4-2

Consolidated 21-4

Crawford 20-4

Douglas Aircraft 30-4

General Electric 24-4

General Motors 34-4

Great West Sugar 26-4

Inter-Harvester 71-4

Imperial Oil 104-3

Int'l. Metal Indus. 6% pfd. 18-4

Kenmore Copper 28-4

Monopoly 11-5

Northern Pacific 18-3

Radio 9-4

Reynolds Steel 29-6

Standard Oil New Jersey 35-7

Steel of Canada 61-4

Southern Pacific 28-7

Union Oil of California 18-4

United States 41-7

U.S. Rubber 41-7

U.S. Steel 37-4

U.S. Sugar 23-4

Western Union 41-4

Woolworth 28-3

Youngman 28-3

Zenith Radio 24-4

By Hagar Investments Ltd.

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